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PRESENTATIONS

From Agerola to Vietri sul Mare: the Municipalities of the Sorrento-Amalfi coast are presenting themselves to Italian and international tourists through the “Sorrento and Amalfi Coast” initiative.

This part of the “Amalfi and Sorrento Peninsula” Integrated Project, supported by the Office for the Promotion of Tourism and Cultural Heritage of the Region of Campania and implemented by the Ente Provinciale per il Turismo, Tourism Provincial Board, Naples, ushers in the enhancement of an important part of Campania.

It enhances the tools for understanding the arena in which one is collaborating with the different players, to continue to increase the competitiveness of the areas involved.

Integrating the numerous tourist offerings, from both the coastal and the inland municipalities, is a linchpin in the promotion of the Sorrento and Amalfi Coasts as a *single entity* on the national and international markets.

Marco Di Lello

*Tourism and Cultural Heritage Councillor
Region of Campania*

The “Amalfi and Sorrento Peninsula” Integrated Project brings together the two faces of the Coast (or “Costiera” in Italian): although differing in certain aspects, they are nonetheless complementary and similar in many other respects, and now at last they are seen as a single tourist destination, with a unified image.

The Coast, as a single tourism offering, provides visitors with breathtaking views, the highest quality food and wine, and a hospitable disposition that has always combined style and friendliness, refinement and simplicity.

The Coast boasts an innate vocation for tourism: its destiny is written in its ‘genes’, the result of the conformation of the land and the its unrivalled beauty of its scenery, which continue to attract millions of tourists from all over the planet. But there is more: its age-old experience of openness towards others, a distinction that has been recognised by the London’s World Travel Market, one of the world’s most important tourism Exchanges. In 2005-2006 it awarded the hotels of the Sorrento Peninsula the Thomson Award for excellence in hospitality.

This immense capital of flavours and delights, of scents and sights, that stretch out between the mountain and the sea, can be found today combined in a single brand, with its enchanting views, its traditions and its myriad products.

Combining all this means to offer the industries linked to the Sorrento and Amalfi Tourism industry a progressive and efficient marketing tool. A virtual port from which to ‘sell’ in the best way this unique product of ours, our “Coast”.

Giovanna Martano

*Tourism Councillor
Province of Naples*

The “Amalfi and Sorrento Peninsula” Integrated Project is another example of how important it is that local organisations for the development of the area work in concert. We are focusing on the quality of tourism offerings of the areas involved, which deserve leading roles in international circuits. In a complex context, characterised by multiple resources belonging to different tourism sectors, efforts must continue to be made to enhance the individual identities of the area, but within the wider common aim of identification. The Amalfi and the Sorrento Coasts are in fact a single entity. Projecting out between the Bays of Naples and Salerno, these lands offer boundless views, unexpected delights, archaeological remains and old hamlets, flavours and aromas of Mediterranean cuisine. Coves and beaches, cultivated land and terraces, churches and ancient towers, all blend together to make a unique entity of singular beauty.

Tourism is the petrol of our lands and the offering must be competitive and efficient, able to harness the inclinations of the area counting on seasonal adjustment.

Angelo Villani

*President
Province of Salerno*

The publication of this travel directory is the first stage in a significant tourism promotion plan: the “Amalfi and Sorrento Peninsula” Integrated Project. Called for by the Office for the Promotion of Tourism and Cultural Heritage of the Campania Region, it will be implemented by the Ente Provinciale per il Turismo, Tourism Provincial Board, Naples.

These two entities from different geographical contexts are for the first time entering the international tourism market as a single tourism promotion system, called “Costiera” (“Coast”).

This strategic choice was informed by the experiences of other major international tourist destinations, such as the Romagna Riviera and the Côte d’Azur, and aims to diversify and enhance the Coast’s tourism offerings. One of the world’s most renowned and prestigious destinations, the Coast can count on the wealth of tourism products with which the area is endowed: from a wide range of itineraries, such as food and wine, religious and arts and crafts trails, to sporting activities and excursions.

Interventions will therefore aim to further improve both the reception system and mobility, confirming the appeal of the Coast for Italian and international tourism. But the new system is also committed to enhancing the inland areas, for instance by focusing on management of the footpath and bridleway network, in order to entice visitors away from the crowded coastal areas and to favour a seasonal adjustment of tourism flows.

Dario Scalabrini

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 parking

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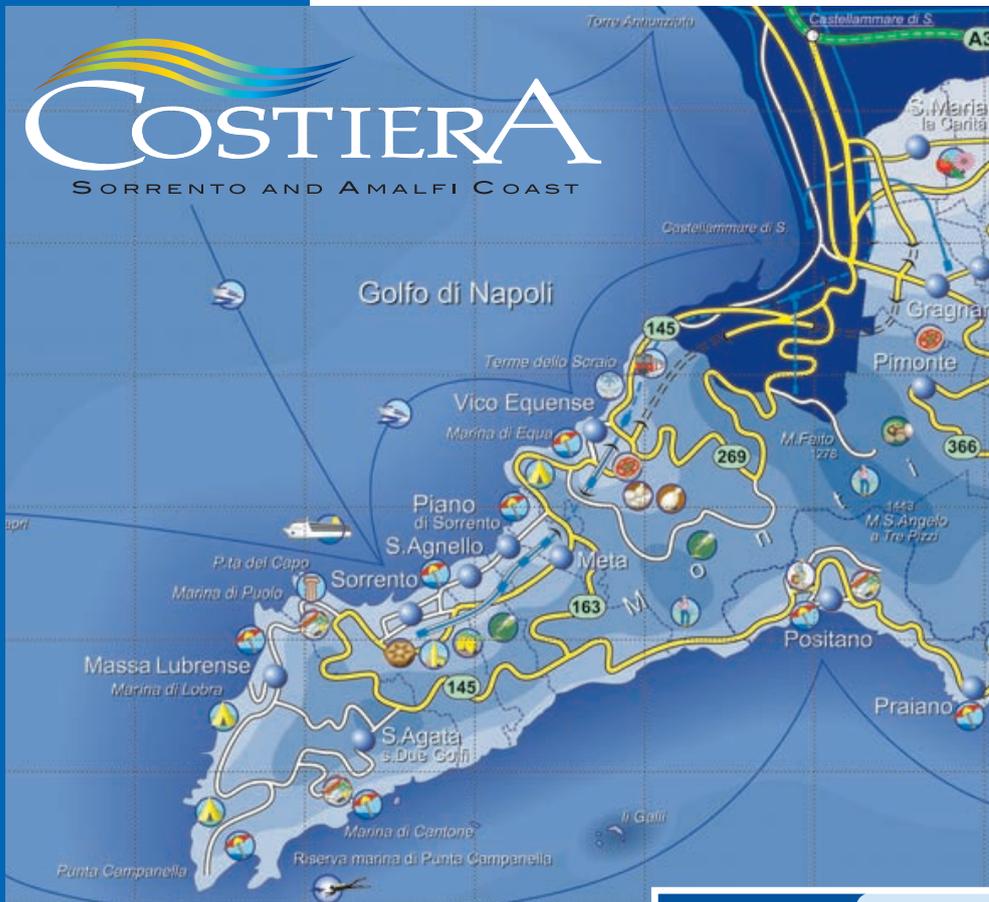
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KEY	
	MUNICIPALITIES
	MOTORWAYS
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	DISTRICT BORDERS
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TYPICAL PRODUCTS	
"Penisola Sorrentina" extra virgin olive oil	DOP
"Limone di Sorrento"	PGI
Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi"	PGI
Wine "Penisola Sorrentina"	DOC
(Gragnano, Lettere, Sorrento)	DOC
Costa d'Amalfi wines (Furore, Rovello, Tramonti)	DOC
Registration pending	
"Provolaone del Monaco" cheese	DOP
Sorrento walnut	PGI
Gragnano and Torre Annunziata pasta	Collective mark



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CASOLA DI NAPOLI
GRAGNANO

LETTERE
MASSA LUBRENSE
META

PIANO DI SORRENTO
PIMONTE
SANT'AGNELLO

SANTA MARIA LA CARITÀ
SANT'ANTONIO ABATE
SORRENTO

VICO EQUENSE



AMALFI
ATRANI
CAVA DE' TIRRENI

CETARA
CONCA DEI MARINI
FURORE

MAIORI
MINORI
POSITANO

PRAIANO
RAVELLO
SCALA

TRAMONTI
VIETRI SUL MARE

TYPICAL PRODUCTS

Fruit and Vegetables:

**“Penisola Sorrentina”
Extra Virgin Olive Oil**

DOP

“Limone di Sorrento”

IGP

Lemon “Costa d’Amalfi”

IGP

Sorrento Walnut (IGP registration pending): the premium and most common regional variety has smooth thin valves and a tasty creamy white kernel that is only slightly oily (it is particularly appreciated by the confectionery industry and by consumers because it is easy to extract from its shell intact). Harvest is concentrated during September and October (Sorrento Peninsula).

Dried sour black cherries from the Colli di S. Pietro: local sour black cherries that have been stoned and dried in the sun with sugar added (Sorrento Peninsula).

Sorrento Orange: the fruit has rather thick skin; it is appreciated on the market for its juiciness and size (Sorrento Peninsula).

Monte Faito Chestnut (also called “Cepparico Chestnut”): with a reddish-brown colour, visible streaks, medium-large size, white sweet flesh (it is harvested in the area around Mount Faito, hence its name); from Lettere to Piano di Sorrento, from Pimonte to Sant’Agnello at Sorrento).

Lardari Beans: small round white legumes, suitable for drying; with tender skin when cooked, seeds with split-resistant cotyledons, intense, characteristic flavour (Agerola).

Dried Figs with Honey: dried figs stuffed with nuts and preserved with honey, wild fennel, orange zest, and sometimes aniseed essence (Sorrento Peninsula).

Scala Chestnut: a medium-sized chestnut, with ample white flesh, is eaten fresh or used in the local workshops for handmade confectionery (Scala).

Tubbiona Apple: apple with thin green skin (tending towards straw-yellow when ripe), compact and crunchy cream-coloured flesh, juicy and aromatic (Agerola).

Pennata Pear: dark green, roundish (similar to the Annurca), with a sweet and mellow taste (Agerola).

Campania Cherry Tomato: there are two ecotypes, “Vesuvio” and “Corbarino” (on the Sorrento Peninsula grown in Agerola, Gragnano, Lettere, Massa Lubrense, Pimonte, Sant’Antonio Abate, Santa Maria la Carità, Sorrento, Vico Equense; on the Amalfi Peninsula grown in Amalfi, Cava dei Tirreni, Furore, Maiori, Ravello, Scala, Tramonti).

Sorrento Tomato: it is roundish, with pronounced ribs, a light red colour tending towards pink (with green tones when harvested), fleshy and compact pulp, with a sweet delicate flavour (Sorrento Peninsula).

Wines, Spirits & Distillates:

**“Penisola Sorrentina” Wines
(Gragnano, Lettere, Sorrento)**

DOC

**“Costa d’Amalfi” wines
(Furore, Ravello, Tramonti)**

DOC

Amalfi Coast Limoncello: an aromatic liqueur obtained exclusively from the Amalfi IGP “Sfusati Lemons” (and produced in the Municipalities of: Amalfi, Atrani, Cetara, Conca dei Marini, Furore, Maiori, Minori, Positano, Praiano, Ravello, Scala, Tramonti, Vietri sul Mare).

Sorrento Limoncello: an aromatic liqueur obtained exclusively from the IGP Sorrento “Ovali” Lemons (or Massalubrense Lemons) (and produced in the Municipalities of: Vico Equense, Meta, Piano di Sorrento, Sant’Agnello, Sorrento, Massa Lubrense).

Cioccolato al Limoncello: chocolate liqueur with limoncello (Sorrento).

Fragolino: deep red rosolio, with about 35% alcohol content, obtained by infusing wild strawberries in alcohol and later diluting the infusion with sugar syrup.

Concerto: deep red rosolio with about 30% alcohol and excellent digestive properties (Amalfi Peninsula).

Crema di Limone (or Cremoncello): creamy, milk-white rosolio, around 30% alcohol, obtained from lemon liqueur, milk, sugar and cream (Amalfi Peninsula).

Bilberry Liqueur: deep purple rosolio, around 30% alcohol, obtained from bilberries picked in the local woods (Amalfi Peninsula).

Nanassino: home-made ratafia-type liqueur, with a more or less intense yellow, obtained from infusing the skins of prickly pears in 95° alcohol, with the addition of sugar syrup (Amalfi Coast).

Cheeses:

Provolone del Monaco (DOP registration pending): cheese with a semi-hard texture, compact when cut; a reddish hazelnut colour crust with lines; a typical aroma of milk and hay. The traditional method uses kid rennet. When the texture has reached the required consistency, the cheese is formed into a pear or cylinder shape. The cheese is then soaked in brine, dried and matured in a cellar for 4 to 18 months (on the Sorrento Peninsula, in the Municipality of Vico Equense, and in the area of the Monti Lattari, within the Municipality of Agerola).

Sorrento Bebé: similar to Sorrento Caciocavallo, its paste is semi-cooked and stretched, with a short maturation period; its shape is similar to an infant in swaddling clothes; its paste has a soft texture and is light in colour; its taste is extremely delicate (Sorrento Peninsula).

Sorrento Caciottina Canestrata: fresh soft paste cheese made from cows’ milk, cylindrical in shape, wrapped in parchment paper (Sorrento Peninsula).

Fiordilatte: fresh cheese with soft, stretched paste, with lactic fermentation, obtained with whole cows’ milk; it comes in differ-

ent shapes, roundish with a small 'head', a knot, a braid, or a parallelepiped, depending on where it is from; it has no crust, is milk-white with straw-yellow tones; its skin is soft with a smooth, shiny, homogenous surface; its taste is characteristic, fresh, of delicately acidulous milk (Agerola).

Smoked Provola: smoked stretched-paste cheese, brown and spherical, obtained from the transformation of raw cows' milk (Sorrento Peninsula).

Riavulillo (Stuffed Caciocavallino, Stuffed Scamorza): small smoked scamorze containing black olives and chilli peppers, with the characteristic shape of a small head tied with a raffia string (Vico Equense).

Scamorza: cows' milk cheese, with semi-cooked, stretched paste; sometimes smoked or stuffed, short maturation; the texture is elastic, even, and straw-yellow in colour; it has a thin crust, a spheroid shape with a more or less evident head, and a sweet or aromatic flavour (Sorrento Peninsula).

Treccia (Plait): cows' milk cheese, with semi-cooked, stretched paste; sometimes smoked or stuffed, short maturation; the texture is elastic, even and straw-yellow or lighter in colour; it is shaped like a plait and has a sweet or aromatic flavour (Sorrento Peninsula).

Pasta, Sweets and Savoury Pastries:

Gagnano and Torre Annunziata pasta (awaiting the **collective brand**): pasta made from durum wheat, in different shapes and sizes, dried naturally. 140 (short and long) pasta shapes either industrially- or hand-produced, following the ancient local tradition of "white art" (creation of flour-based products) and the use of bronze dies.

Sfogliatella Santa Rosa: puff pastry filled with custard and sour black cherry jam. Ingredients for the pastry: 00 flour, salt, water; for the filling: semolina, ricotta, candied fruit, eggs, cinnamon, sugar (Conca dei Marini e Costiera Amalfitana).

Sospiri al Limone: a soft, roundish sweet, made of sponge filled with lemon custard and covered with sugar icing (Amalfi Coast).

Tarallo di Agerola: savoury ring-shaped biscuit flavoured with wild fennel (Agerola).

Delizia al Limone: sponge cake covered and filled with cream and lemon custard, decorated with the same custard, whipped cream or lemon glaze (Amalfi and Sorrento Coast).

Casatiello: savoury loaf made with flour, lard, eggs, leavened dough, grated cheese, salami and pepper (Sorrento Peninsula).

Fish:

Anchovy dripping from Cetara: clear anchovy sauce (Cetara).

Anchovies in brine: anchovies preserved in brine packed in enamelled terracotta containers.

Small Spicy Anchovies: small salted sardines preserved in oil with the addition of aromas.

Marinated Anchovies: anchovies marinated in vinegar and preserved in oil with the addition of aromas.

Anchovy Fillets in Oil.

Handicraft:

Local crafts are a fascinating world on the Coast. The production includes unusual, exclusive, precious objects: following in an age-old tradition that – between past and present – combines history and culture, shapes and materials, imagination and style, experience and intuition. An exceptional journey into taste, beauty and memory of these enchanted place, where all sorts of things are produced, as an expression of aristocratic art and the popular soul: ceramics and terracotta; wrought iron; lace, embroidery, fashion accessories; carved horn; lutes and other musical instruments; wicker, rush blinds, chestnut-wood baskets; boats and fishing boats; glass in myriad shapes, old-fashioned paper, inlaid wood; cribs and shepherds...



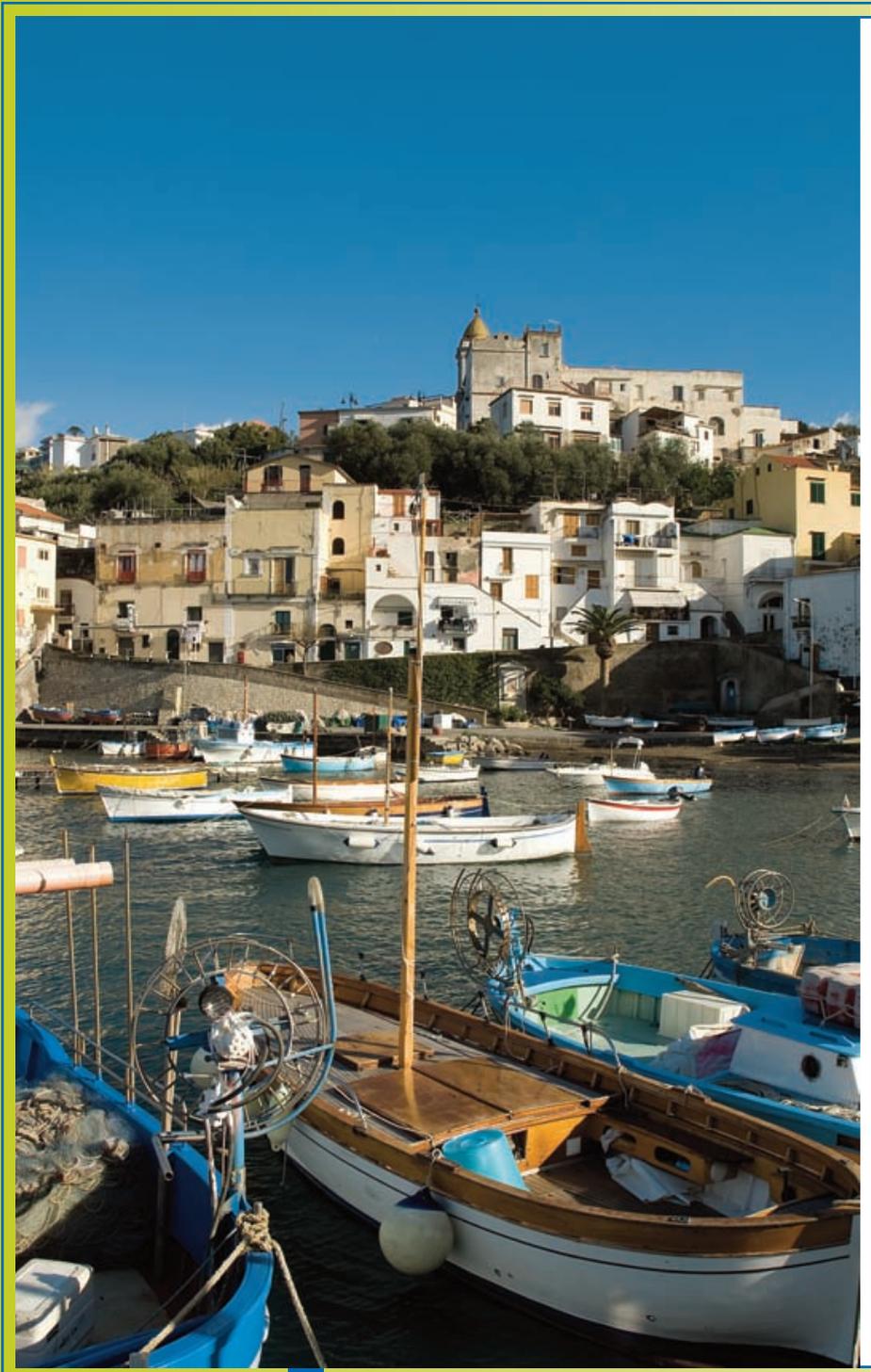
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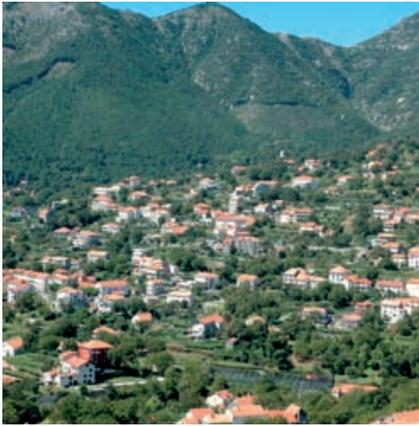
Sorrento Coast

Amalfi Coast



Sorrento Coast

If we had a bird's eye view of the Sorrento Peninsula, a bird soaring higher than the seagulls that fly through the limpid sunlit sky above its coastline, we would realise that the peninsula is shaped like an exclamation mark. The full stop that completes the exclamation mark is the island of Capri, across the water. Is this a random coincidence? Mother nature doodling poetically while she composed her sublime creation? Let's see...



As we all know, the exclamation mark, which is also called admiration mark, indicates marvel and wonder. That is, an excited state of mind. And aren't these the same feelings experienced by the travellers and tourists who have been coming here for hundreds of years? The VIPs and the ordinary people who stayed here? Aren't these the feelings captured by world-famous artists who gave in to the seduction of the Divine Coast and then expressed its beauty in poetry, music and paintings? *Dolce vita*, indeed, and a magnificent life. But also the *otium*, or idleness of the ancient Romans, serene leisure, fruitful for the mind and the body. Wasn't it also the allure of this an-

cient land that stilled the unease in the souls of great talents such as Wagner and Goethe, Ibsen e Nietzsche, Shelley and Tolstoy, who lived and worked here, and that invigorated the creative spirits of their genius with its climate, its landscapes, and the simplicity of its daily life? At any time of the year, the Sorrento Peninsula is a veritable treasure trove of beauty, for its nature, its history, its legends. And every season offers its own



surprises. Within the walls of its towns and villages there are monuments and palaces, churches and piazzas that bear witness to ancient civilisations. The Greeks built roads and temples, the Romans, villas. Then, since the Middle Ages, foreign peoples arrived, with different languages and cultures: Normans and Angevins, Swabians and Spaniards... The pessimist would call them rulers; the optimist would conclude that they inspired the local vocation for tourism, that strong spirit of hospitality, cordiality and openness that has made this area one of the most famous and beloved throughout the world by its devoted international clientele.



Beyond its walls, the blue sea and green hills, gentle coves and sheer cliff faces, Saracen towers and imperial remains, impenetrable woods and high inaccessible islets recount stories of yesteryear: signs of man and legends that remind us that these shores were the mythical home of the ravishing and perilous Sirens. Stories of wonder and melancholy, stoked by the tenuous colours of dawn or sunset, magic performed by nature, in many ways still wild and mysterious. Especially at night, when the lights of the coast are reflected

in an uncontaminated sea, a silent mirror illuminated by the reflections of the bright lights of lampara fishing boats, beyond the warm, naked rocks.

But though everyone appreciates the enchanting scenery of the coast, not everyone knows the inland area. From the vast plain spread out at the foot of the Lattari Mountains, with the districts of Sant'Antonio Abate and Santa Maria la Carità, which grow and export far and wide their precious exotic flowers (anthurium, curcuma, gerbera, liliium, limonium, lisianthus...) to





the more truly mountainous region, which dominates the coast with its rugged wild beauty. An atmospheric route, which leads through Casola di Napoli, a small new municipality still retaining many of the typical local traditions, towards Lettere, a land of ancient shepherding tradition, dominated by a medieval castle that tells of battles and raids, and of a noble feudal past. But, above all, a land dedicated to the vine, from which the local vine-growers produce an excellent red that has many aficionados. This is a wine that (like



its “blood relative”, Gragnano) is excellent with pizza and ragù, and in general with all the unbalanced flavoursome dishes of the traditional cuisine of Campania. The Strada Statale 366, a road that winds up through the highlands, leads up to Pimonte, surrounded by woods – mainly chestnut – and by unspoilt nature that delights mountain walkers. On the peak of Mount Pino, which dominates the whole valley below, the atmospheric remains of a church dedicated to the Virgin Mary before 1000 AD tells of the religious zeal of the ancient inhabitants of this place, as testified by the many shrines, temples and convents dotted around the peninsula.

Gragnano, another inland town, is famous throughout the world for its pasta. Apparently its name derives from a Roman root meaning “land of wheat”, which just goes to show that one’s name can influence one’s destiny... In fact since the XVI century this area housed a flourishing pasta production industry, fuelled by the abundant water and the many mills (in the valley with the same name) and by the climate, which is ideal for the slow-drying process. There is a very interesting local museum dedicated to pasta and its production, exhibiting equipment and machinery of this vital art that transforms white flour into yellow gold. Even higher up, so high, in fact, that it is known as the Neapolitan Switzerland, sits Agerola, an unparalleled tourist destination for those who love cooler climes, especially in the summer. It too is surrounded by green-clad mountains and cultivated terraced land. This noble and genteel town has a rich legacy of significant buildings and monuments inherited from its long and turbulent history : from the eruption of the Vesuvius in 79 A.D., whose incandescent lapilli reached the



town, to the skirmishes between the Bourbon army and the brigands who found refuge in this impenetrable area. Nowadays the town's attraction lies largely in its gastronomic vocation, which entices tourists and gourmets seeking a healthy and tasty cuisine.

But the main attraction of the Sorrento Peninsula will always be the sea that laps its coastline in a sensual embrace. In the past it was the crafts of the Magna Graecia colonisers that sailed on these waters, now it is the hydrofoils carrying bathers, sun-worshippers and tourists who love these places. A strip of land that is a series of coves and inlets here and there carved into the rocky coastline. An Eden adorned with a blessed vegetation that fills the air with an almost mystical scent, a heady mixture of lemons and oranges, grapes and olives that cheers the spirit and reconciles it with life and nature, which here has always been particularly generous. The long line of villages that nestle side by side along the coastline is a striking sight. These are places that offer tourists beauty and fun, monuments and shopping, excellent cuisine for all tastes and enchanting landscapes, tranquil and well-run accommodation, well-being and relaxation, art and crafts. Prestigious holiday destinations include the enchanting Vico Equense, at the foot of Mount Faito (with its 1400 metres, the highest peak of the Lattari), where beaches and caves alternate with hydro mineral springs (Scrajo); the delightful Meta, a favoured holiday destination and bathing resort (Alimuri), which has always venerated the feminine essence of divinity (on the pagan temple

of wise Minerva, Christianity built the moving basilica dedicated to the protective figure of the Madonna del Lauro); Pignano di Sorrento, much loved by the Emperor Augustus and VIPs of Imperial Rome, was also already celebrated by aesthetes and people who appreciated good taste, such as Pliny and Horace; Sant'Agnello, where international aristocracy built its villas, enchanted by the beauty and tranquillity of the area; Sorrento, among the most famous and appreciated holiday destinations in the world (and who doesn't know the famous song "Torna a Surriento", its melody and words filled with love and yearning?), renowned for its splendid homes and prestigious hotels, in one of which, surrounded by the scent of the citrus trees, the famous tenor Enrico Caruso peacefully saw out the end of his days; last but by no means least, Massa Lubrense: an agglomeration of 18 breathtakingly beautiful villages each one offering different and unique landscapes, from Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi, set on the hill between the two magnificent bays of Naples and Salerno, between the Sorrento and the Amalfi coast; to the magical and unspoilt Bay of Jeranto, the outpost of this paradise, at the end of Punta Campanella, the furthest tip of the land.

This is it, the mythical, seductive, warm-hearted Sorrento Peninsula: a wonderland of dreams and marvel, excitement and enchantment. In other words, the exclamation mark that a self-satisfied mother nature placed at the end of her divine creation... The passionate exclamation mark of this delightful and thrilling region of Campania.

AGEROLA

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then SS366 to Agerola: follow the signs to Gragnano, then to Agerola

By train

Railway, station of Castellammare di Stabia

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.874.02.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.874.02.15

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.879.10.06

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

"Misericordia" of Agerola (ambulance service) - Tel. 081.802.54.05

Pharmacy Mascolo, via M. R. Florio, 55 (loc. Campora) - Tel. 081.879.11.26

Pharmacy Mascolo (seasonal dispensary), via A. Coppola, 54 (loc. San Lazzaro) - Tel. 081.802.52.08

Pharmacy Pappalardo, via A. Diaz, 20 (loc. Bomerano) - Tel. 081.879.10.85

Municipal library at the Visitors' office - Tel. 081.879.10.64

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office - P.za P. Capasso, 7 - Tel. 081.879.10.64

Congress facilities

"Grand Hotel Sant'Orsola" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 400 seats), via Miramare, 28 - Tel. 081.802.56.62, fax 802.59.68; www.santorsolahotel.it

"Le Due Torri" ★★★ (1 hall, 50 seats), via della Divina Costiera, 11 - Tel. 081.879.12.57, fax 879.10.37; www.hotelleduetorri.it

"Le Rocce sul Tirreno" ★★★ (1 hall, 200 seats), via Belvedere, 73 - Tel. 081.879.11.82, fax 874.07.38; www.hotelristorantelerocce.com

Sites and monuments

Church of San Matteo Apostolo (Bomerano), inside: ceiling painted by Michele Regolia (1632); fine wooden crucifix (XV c.), silver reliquary bust of

the Saint (XVIII c.).

Sanctuary of Maria SS. del Rosario (XII c., Bomerano), inside: XIV c. frescos, an altar piece depicting the Madonna with Saints and a statue believed to be miraculous.

Remains of Castello Lauretano (XI c., San Lazzaro), an ancient castle deep in a chestnut wood. From the square in front of it, panoramic views over the Amalfi coast all the way to Salerno.

Church of Santa Maria la Manna (XV c., Pianillo), dedicated to an Eastern Madonna, brought here, as legend has it, during the iconoclastic persecutions.

Chapel of Santissimo Sacramento (XV c., San Lazzaro), with the XVI c. wooden statue of the Madonna of Roses.

Church of San Pietro Apostolo (XIII c., Pianillo), the only remaining medieval church of the five the town had originally: it contains a precious silver XV c. crucifix.

Church of San Martino (Càmpora)

Church of San Michele (Càmpora), with a wooden roof, like the old local houses.

Nature and surroundings

The mountain chain of the Monti Lattari

is the backbone of the Sorrento-Amalfi peninsula. The area has a rich and complex flora and fauna that are typical of the local environment. This wonderful example of biodiversity is now a Regional Park (1.5 ha). It is cloaked in thick shrubs and mixed evergreen woods (ilex, maple, manna-ash, downy oak, hornbeam, alder, beech, birch...), Mediterranean shrub, crossed by terraces of citrus orchards and olive groves, and areas where extremely rare plants, such as the Felce bulbifera (*Woodwardia radicans*), grow. There is an area that teems with animal life such as boars, foxes, hedgehogs, and, surprisingly, even otters. To arrange organised excursions to the Parco Regionale dei Monti Lattari contact the Visitors' Office (Tel. 081/879.10.64) to contact qualified guides.

There is another Park near Agerola that is almost twice the size. It is the Parco Corona, in Bomerano, a chestnut coppice flanked by the Statale (state road) for Amalfi, which is open to everyone. And, in the area of Bolvito - Casa Cavaliere - Grottele - Fiobano there is another mixed coppice (chestnut, walnut, alder) that cover 25 hectares, accessible from Via Radicosa.

Worth visiting: the hamlets of Bomerano, Pianillo, Càmpora, San Lazzaro, delightful mountain villages that charm visitors with their atmospheric rhythms and appeal.

Monte Sant'Angelo a Tre Pizzi, a range of the Monti Lattari, comprising the peaks of Monte Molare (the highest, 1444 m), Monte di Mezzo and Monte Catiello. The excursion to the peak of Monte Molare rewards trekkers with the discovery of this extraordinary, harsh nature of these places. From the tunnel of Agerola, a muletrack that climbs up into the woods reaches the hills of Sant'Angelo and Sughero and the rise of Crocella, up to the church dedicated to the Archangel Michael. A side road to the left leads to the Grotta dell'Acqua Santa (Holy Water Grotto) and then to the peak of the Molare, which offers a breathtaking panorama sweeping from Salerno to the Sorrento Peninsula.

Monte della Carcàra, with its charming natural spring.

Il Sentiero degli Dei - The Pathway of the Gods.

Bomerano is the starting point for one of the most spectacular walks in the world. Its name says it all: "The Pathway of the Gods" It takes about 4 hours to walk this route, which links Amalfi to Positano. Near Agerola lies the Grotta del Biscotto (524 m), with an unusual geological shape and position, which was once the dwelling of ancient inhabitants of the area. From Colle Serra, with its farmhouses and rupestrian cottages, the road forks: left, toward Praiano; right, toward Nocelle (420 m).

Typical products

Wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes;

apples, pears, walnuts, chestnuts; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives

The tastes of the Coast:

"L'Alambicco", via Iovieno, 54 -

Tel/fax 081.873.10.12; www.limoncelloverace.com

"Luna d'Agerola", via Radicosa, 35 (loc. San Lazzaro)

Tel. 081.802.50.09

"Mare e Monti", via Santa Lucia I trav., 26 -

Tel. 081.802.52.26

"Sapori del Sole", via Ponte, 49 -

Tel. 081.873.14.71, fax 873.10.40;

info@saporidelsele.it - www.saporidelsele.it

Wine:

"Il Castagno", via Radicosa, 39 - Tel. 081.802.51.64

Dairy products & cheese:

"Agrisole", via Case Sparse, 81 - Tel. 081.873.10.22

"Amatruda", via Ponte, 57 - Tel. 081.873.16.71

"Amatruda", via delle Sorgenti, 33 -

Tel. 081.879.11.07

"Belfiore", via Belvedere, 35 - Tel. 081.879.13.38

"Buonocore Biemme 2", via delle Sorgenti, 1 -

Tel. 081.879.11.50

"F.lli Fusco", via Santa Maria, 43 - Tel. 081.879.13.39

"Ruocco", via Iovieno II trav., 2 - Tel. 081.879.14.14

"The Green Valley", via Caucelle, 1 -

Tel. 081.873.15.85



“**Zi Monaco**”, via Divina Costiera, 19 -
Tel. 081.879.14.42

Salamis:

“**Acampora**”, via Piano, 6 -
Tel. 081.879.18.88, 874.01.70

“**Cardone**”, via Vertina, 1/2 - Tel/fax 081.879.19.30;
www.cardonesalumi.com

Sweets:

“**All Party**”, via Paipo, 25 - Tel. 081.873.17.60

“**Avitabile**”, via Miramare, 1 - Tel. 081.802.50.87

Handicraft

Pottery:

“**Lauritano Giuletta**”, via Principe di Piemonte, 27 -
Tel. 081.879.11.22

Events

“**Festival of Sant’Antonio Abate**”: on January 17th there are religious services and a typical market; on the 1st Sunday in August a country fair with food and entertainment.

“**Parade of the Floats**”, Carnival

“**Local Handicraft Show**” (Campora),
February - March

“**Holy Week Procession**”: on Good Friday two processions move along the streets of the town from opposite districts until they meet. In the procession that leaves from San Lazzaro, participants interpret the figures of Christ’s Passion

(from Christ to Pilate, Roman legionnaires, pious women, etc.); the procession that starts from Bomerano is made up of long column of the faithful dressed in white tunics and wearing a laurel crown on their heads.

“**Agerola Moon**” (music, performances and festivals), all Summer

“**Caponata Festival**”, early July

“**Agerola World Music Festival**”, mid July: shows of local and international folk music, associated with the “Borough of Agerola Bread and Tradition”. This is a food and wine trail through streets, alleyways, unknown corners, where walk-ons illustrate ancient occupations.

“**Fiordilatte Festival**” three days during the first week in August, dedicated to tasting dairy products, with live music and firework displays.

“**Potato Festival**” August 14th-15th

“**Festival of the Pennata and Mastantuono Pears**” (two prized local varieties) August 25th-27th

“**Microphone of the Soul**”, late August-early September free national competition for singer-songwriters open to soloists and groups, to enhance the standing of Italian song.

“**September Tastes**”, the 3 days before the Feast Day of Our Lady (September 12th): festivals of typical products and tastings of local products, together with musical performances (Tel. 081/873.14.71).

“**Living Crib**”, December 26th and January 6th



Typical markets

- “**Local handicraft show**” (loc. Campora),
February - March
- “**Trade fair**”, second week of December

Hotels

- “**Grand Hotel Sant’Orsola**” ★★★★★ (40 rooms),
via Miramare, 28 - Tel. 081.802.56.62, fax 802.59.68;
info@santorsolahotel.it - www.santorsolahotel.it
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- “**Le Due Torri**” ★★★ (22 rooms), via della Divina
Costiera, 11 - Tel. 081.879.12.57, fax 879.10.37;
info@hotelleduetorri.it - www.hotelleduetorri.it
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- “**Gentile**” ★★★ (37 rooms), p.za P. Capasso, 50 -
Tel/fax 081.879.10.41; albergogentile@woow.it
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- “**Le Rocce sul Tirreno**” ★★★ (32 rooms),
via Belvedere, 73 - Tel. 081.879.11.82,
fax 874.07.38; lerocce@pandoraonline.it -
www.hotelristorantelerocce.com
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- “**Risorgimento**” ★★★ (20 rooms),
via A. Coppola, 115 - Tel/fax 081.802.50.72;
hotelrisorgimento@tiscalinet.it -
www.hotelrisorgimento.it
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- “**Villa Paola Dream House**” ★★★ (15 rooms),
via Roma, 14 III trav. - Tel. 081.873.19.72,
fax 874.00.07; www.villapaolaasrl.it
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Restaurants

- “**Da Giannino**”, via Villani, 58 - Tel. 081.873.12.19
- “**Da Giggino**”, via Miramare - Tel. 081.802.50.69
- “**Da Nicola**”, v.le Vittoria, 43 - Tel. 081.873.13.21
- “**Gentile**”, p.za P. Capasso, 50 -
Tel/fax 081.879.10.41
- “**La Selva**”, via Belvedere, 23 - Tel. 081.879.15.23
- “**Le Due Torri**”, via della Divina Costiera, 11 -
Tel. 081.879.12.57
- “**Le Rocce**”, via Belvedere - Tel. 081.879.18.93
- “**Naclerio Nicola**”, v.le Vittoria, 26 -
Tel. 081.873.13.21
- “**Rabbit**”, via San Lorenzo I trav., 8/b -
Tel. 081.873.13.40
- “**Risorgimento**”, via A. Coppola, 115 -
Tel/fax 081.802.50.72

“**Sant’Orsola**”, via Miramare, 28 -
Tel. 081.802.56.62

“**Villa Paola Dream House**”, via Roma, 14 III trav. -
Tel. 081.873.19.72

Agritourisms

- “**Brancati**” (4 rooms), via degli Ontanelli, 3 -
Tel/fax 081.873.14.95
- “**Il Castagno**” (5 rooms), via Radicosa, 39
(loc. San Lazzaro) - Tel/fax 081.802.51.64;
ilcastagno@libero.it -
www.agriturismoilcastagno.com
- “**Luna d’Agerola**” (5 rooms), via Radicosa, 35
(loc. San Lazzaro) - Tel/fax 081.802.50.09;
www.agriturismoagerola.com, www.lunadagerola.it
- “**Mare e Monti**” (6 rooms), via Santa Lucia I trav., 26
Tel/fax 081.802.52.26; www.mareemonti.biz
- “**Nonno Tobia**” (6 rooms), via San Vincenzo, 9 -
Tel/fax 081.879.11.17; info@nonnotobia.it -
www.nonnotobia.it

Room rental

- “**Nido degli Dei**” (6 rooms), via C. Lauritano, 1 -
Tel/fax 081.802.55.73; info@nidodegliidei.it -
www.nidodegliidei.it
- “**Rabbit**” (5 rooms), via San Lorenzo I trav., 8/b -
Tel/fax 081.873.13.40

Hostels

- “**Beata Solitudo**”, p.za Gen. Avitabile, 4 -
Tel/fax 081.802.50.48, beatasol@tiscalinet.it -
www.beatasolitudo.it

CASOLA DI NAPOLI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then SS366 to Agerola and follow the signs to Gragnano

By train

Railway, stations of Castellammare di Stabia and Gragnano. From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Castellammare di Stabia

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.801.29.99, 801.28.90

Police Station - Tel. 081.801.29.99, 801.28.90

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.801.29.09 (Gragnano)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Bocci Zara, via Roma, 2 -
Tel. 081.801.28.34

Municipal library - Tel. 081.801.29.99

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office at the city hall
(Ms. Maria Giuseppa Abbagnale)

Sites and monuments

**Parish of Santissimo Salvatore e Sant'Andrea
Apostolo** (XVI c.)

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; confectionery

Wine:

"Cantine Mariano Sabatino", via Vittorio Veneto, 21 -
Tel. 081.539.25.40

Oil:

"Eco dei Monti", via Monticelli, 1 - Tel. 081.539.24.77

Bread:

"Lorenzo del Sorbo", old faggot oven, p.za Iozzino

Dairy products & cheese:

"Sorrentino Gaetano", via Roma, 225 -
Tel. 081.802.15.84

Salamis:

"Inserra Giuseppe", via Roma, 105 -
Tel. 081.801.28.88

"Inserra Vincenzo", via Roma, 36 -
Tel. 081.801.15.44

Sweets:

"Sorrentino Candida", via Roma, 228 -
Tel. 081.802.66.40

Events

"Come along and be a Pig!", February: a witty festival celebrating the traditional slaughter of pigs in the farmyard, with stands offering typical local products.

"Festival of Sant'Antonio da Padova", split over two

different days: On June 13th religious services; 2nd Sunday in July, after the procession, the social celebrations are a riot of lights, stalls, games, music, fun and firework displays.

"Roasted Suckling Pig and Sausage Festival", (Gesini), Week of Ferragosto (August 15th): music, shows, and tastings of typical pork delicacies

"Emigrants' Festival" (Piazza IV Novembre), August: the town warmly embraces its many expatriates

"Sweets Festival", December: music, sweets and fun for big people and, especially, little people

Restaurants

"Il Trionfo", via Cappella della Guardia, 42 -
Tel. 081.873.35.40

"Il Vicoletto", vicolo Iozzino, 36 - Tel. 081.802.66.73

GRAGNANO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then SS366 to Agerola and follow the signs to Gragnano

By train

Railway, stations of Castellammare di Stabia and Gragnano. From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Castellammare di Stabia

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081. 873.21.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.873.23.39

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.801.29.09

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Comentale, via Carmine, 2 -
Tel. 081.801.29.54

Pharmacy Dello Iorio, p.za Aubry, 16 -
Tel. 081.801.27.28, 081.801.16.44

Pharmacy Iervolino, via San Giuseppe, 65 -
Tel. 081 879.55.39

Pharmacy Il Pavone, via Cappella Bisi, 21/23 -
Tel. 081 390.64.48

Pharmacy Sant'Anna, via Castellammare, 128 -
Tel. 081.870.10.17

Pharmacy Vingiani, via Roma, 125 -
Tel. 081.801.29.58

Pharmacy Schettino, via Madonna delle Grazie, 248 -
Tel. 081.872.32.66

Municipal library - Tel. 081.873.24.32

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, p.za Amendola at the railway station -
(Tel. 081.873.39.84, Mr. Sabato Ruggiero)

Travel agencies

"Django Viaggi", via Madonna delle Grazie, 155 -
Tel. 081.872.65.25, fax 872.65.25;
segreteria@djangoviaggi.com

"Elefante Viaggi Planet Vacanze",
via Castellammare, 57 - Tel. 081.390.51.40,
fax 390.51.46; info@elefanteviaggi.com -
www.elefanteviaggi.com

"Sorrisi e Vacanze", via Santa Caterina, 75 -
Tel. 081.80133.39, fax 801.10.47

"Travel & Fashion", via Castellammare, 182 -
Tel. 081.801.86.72

Congress facilities

"Villa Le Zagare" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 250 seats),
via Visitazione, 68 - Tel. 081.879.40.24,
fax 801.39.77; www.grandhotellezagare.it

"degli Ulivi" ★★★ (3 halls, 200 seats), S.S. 366 to
Agerola, 202 - Tel. 081.801.28.09, fax 539.22.40;
www.dacarminuccio.com

"Eurohotel Irene" ★★★ (3 halls, 500 seats),
S.S. 366 to Agerola, 206 - Tel. 081.801.28.82,
fax 801.29.03; www.eurohotelirene.it

"Parco" ★★★ (2 halls, 100 seats), S.S. 366 to
Agerola, 16 - Tel. 081.871.55.91, fax 872.24.72;
www.hotel-parco.it

"Torre Varano" ★★★ (4 halls, 500 seats),
via Passeggiata Archeologica, 50 - Tel. 081.871.82.00,
fax 871.83.96; www.hoteltorrevarano.it

Sites and monuments

Collegiate church of Corpus Domini (XVI c., Piazza A. Aubry); inside: XVIII c. stuccos; an elegant frescoed ceiling from 1753 with a painting of *Paradiso* at the centre; a fine stoup from 1571; the 3rd altar on the left has a *Trasfigurazione* by Marco Pino (1578) with Raphaellesque overtones; in the apse two large late XVIII c. canvases by Giacinto Diano, the *Trasporto della Santa Arca* (*Transportation of the Holy Arc*) and *La manna del deserto* (*Manna in the Desert*)

Church of Santa Maria Assunta (Castello, XII c.): outside, a lovely small Romanesque bell tower with two rows of double lancet windows; inside three naves divided by four Roman columns found in different digs.



Church and Cloister of San Michele Arcangelo

Crib of Gragnano (Piazza Aubry), for visits and information contact the Visitors' Office in Piazza Amendola, or Tel. 081/873.36.86

Church of the Madonna del Carmine (via Carmine)

Church of San Giovanni Battista (Rosario district)

Nature and surroundings

Excursions: to Lettere castle (347 m); to the source of the Lettere aqueduct (600 m); to Monte Muto (668 m); to Monte Pendolo (618 m), to Monte Pino (576 m). Fascinating nature trails through the Valleys di Castello, dei Mulini and del Pericolo.

Climbs: to Monte Cerreto (1316 m), to Monte Cervigliano or Acquafredda (1203 m).

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit: walnuts, cherries; spices; meat; confectionery. Flowers: coloured arum lilies

Wine:

"Balestrieri", via Quarantola, 13/a - Tel. 081.873.30.16

"Donna Pasqualina", via Aurano, 33 - Tel. 081.539.21.04

"L'Uliveto", via San Giacomo, 45 - Tel. 081.539.19.81

Oil:

"L'Uliveto", via San Giacomo, 45 - Tel. 081.539.19.81

Pasta factories:

"D'Apuzzo Sebastiano", via Ponte Trivione, 1 - Tel/fax 081.801.22.76

"D'Apuzzo spa", via dei Pastai, 48 - Tel. 081.872.84.04

"Di Martino Gaetano & F.lli", via Castellammare, 82 - Tel. 081.801.29.84, fax 801.28.78

"Di Nola", via P. Nastro, 67 - Tel. 081.801.35.66

"Gaetano Faella", p.za San Leone, 13/14 - Tel. 081.801.29.85

"Le Antiche Tradizioni di Gragnano", via Vittorio Veneto, 167 - Tel/fax 081.801.36.43

"Le Stuzzichelle", via Ponte Carmiano, 7 - Tel. 081.870.10.02

"Liguori", via dei Pastai, 9 - Tel. 081.872.65.02, fax 872.68.40

"Lucio Garofalo", via dei Pastai, 42 - Tel. 081.801.10.02

"Pastai Gragnanesi", via G. della Rocca, 20 - Tel. 081.801.29.75

Dairy products & cheese:

"Amodio di Fortunato Michelina", via Vittorio Veneto, 327 - Tel. 081.801.11.38

"Amodio di Vuolo Speranza", via Castellammare, 180 - Tel. 081.391.54.00

"F.lli Cavaliere", via Vena della Fossa, 1 - Tel. 081.871.82.11

"Gargiuolo", via Madonna delle Grazie, 163/165 - Tel. 081.870.10.71

"Monti Lattari", via San Felice, 1 - Tel. 081.879.42.33

"Donnarumma Umberto", via Incoronata, 42 - Tel. 081.801.28.59

Sweets:

"Cavaliere & C.", p.za Matteotti, 20 - Tel. 081.801.29.07, 801.31.35

"Crema & Cioccolato", via R. Giuseppe, 6 - Tel. 081.801.36.81

"Coppola Antica Pasticceria", via P. Nastro, 61 - Tel. 081.801.41.93

"Cuomo Gennaro", via Castellammare, 44/46 - Tel. 081.801.23.70

"Gerardo Cavaliere e C.", p.za Matteotti, 20 - Tel. 081.801.31.35, 801.29.07

"Giamilù - Antica Pasticceria e Cioccolateria", via Cappella della Guardia, 7 - Tel. 081.879.48.34

"L'Artigiana Pasticceria", via N. San Leone, 87 - Tel. 081.801.12.25

Flowers:

(coloured arum lilies) **"Cannavacciuolo Giuseppe"**

Events

"Parade of Pacchiane", January 6th, costume parade in the style of the Neapolitan XVIII crib characters.

"Labour Day", May 1st, a walk up to the Valle dei Mulini where, after Mass, the whole community makes music and makes merry, celebrating and feasting in harmony and good cheer.

"Cherry Festival", May - June

"Sweets Festival" (in Via Castellammare, in the church of Sant'Erasmo), July

"Patronal Feast Day of Maria SS. del Carmine", from July 20th-30th, 6 days of Faith and festivities to celebrate the Madonna.

"Violin Festival", late July

"Festival of Traditional Flavours", late August: in the old town centre (between Piazza San Leone and Via Vecchia San Pietro), amongst courtyards and alleyways, 3 days of local gastronomy, searching for traditional flavours and atmosphere, with special dishes, as well as music and dance.

Gourmet festival "La Via dei Sapori", first weekend of September for an exhibition of typical products, *panuozzi* (a type of stuffed pizza), pizzas, mozzarella and wine in the stands of the Fair

"Pasta Festival", mid September: 4 days of celebrations for the national dish, among shows and functions, with promotional sales by the local pasta makers and cooking of pasta dishes.

"Festival of the Holy Rosary", October 4th-8th in honour of the Madonna, a programme of religious and social events, processions and cuisine

"Christmas 2007, Gragnano Open Churches", December

Typical markets

Local market, every Saturday

"Fair of Madonna delle Grazie", November 21st

"Christmas market", December 7th to 10th

Museums

Pasta museum, Chiostro Ungaretti, via Santa Croce

Hotels

"Villa Le Zagare" ★★★★★ (26 rooms), via Visitazione, 68 - Tel. 081.879.40.24, fax 801.39.77; info@grandhotellezagare.it - www.grandhotellezagare.it

"degli Ulivi" ★★★ (25 rooms), S.S. 366 to Agerola, 202 - Tel. 081.801.28.09, fax 539.22.40; info@dacarminuccio.com - www.dacarminuccio.com

"Eurohotel Irene" ★★★ (38 rooms), S.S. 366 to Agerola, 206 - Tel. 081.801.28.82, fax 801.29.03, info@eurohotelirene.it - www.eurohotelirene.it

"Parco" ★★★ (56 rooms), S.S. 366 to Agerola, 16 - Tel. 081.871.55.91, fax 872.24.72; info@hotel-parco.it - www.hotel-parco.it

"Torre Varano" ★★★ (67 rooms), via Passeggiata Archeologica, 50 - Tel. 081.871.82.00, fax 871.83.96; info@hoteltorrevarano.it - www.hoteltorrevarano.it

"Miramonti" ★ (8 rooms), S.S. 366 to Agerola, 111 - Tel./fax 081.801.36.74

Restaurants

"Amanda", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 34 - Tel. 081.801.24.74

"A Scalinatella", via T. Sorrentino, 2 - Tel. 081.801.31.00

"da Carminuccio", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 202 - Tel. 081.801.28.09

"Eden", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 74 - Tel. 081.801.10.22

"Il Casolare", via San Giacomo, 64 - Tel. 081.539.20.39

"Irene", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 164 - Tel. 081.801.28.82, 801.29.03

"Il Ruspantino", via Castellammare, 13 - Tel. 081.871.90.62

"La Cantinella", via Caprile, 2 - Tel. 081.801.19.58

"La Tana del Lupo", via San Giacomo - Tel. 081.539.19.41, 801.36.15

"Magiga 2000", via Caprile, 2 - Tel. 081.801.19.58

"Misericordia e Nobiltà", via Stagle, 18 - Tel. 081.872.45.61

"Miramonti", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 111 - Tel. 081.801.36.74

"Mon Amour", via T. Sorrentino, 29 - Tel. 081.879.54.20

"Parco", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 16 - Tel. 081.871.55.91

"Villa Le Zagare", via Visitazione, 68 - Tel. 081.879.40.24

"Zi Ferdinando", via Perillo, 14 - Tel. 081.871.00.43

Pizza and Panuozzo:

"Alle Pendici del Megano", via San Giacomo, 21/c - Tel. 081.539.20.63

"Ciccio 'o Ciccione", via Castellammare, 225 - Tel. 081.871.76.42

"Ciro a Ponte", via San Leone, 8 - Tel. 081.801.36.59

"da Iolanda", via Visitazione, 15 - Tel. 081.873.62.49

"F.lli Mascolo", S.S. 366 to Agerola - Tel. 081.879.58.44

"Gli Sfizi", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 147 - Tel. 081.539.22.24

"Il Tris", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 115 - Tel. 081.801.12.97

"La Capannina", via Volte, 23 - Tel. 081.801.33.70

"Le Quattro Stelle", S.S. 366 to Agerola, 114 - Tel. 081.801.14.54

“**L'Erede**”, via Castellammare, 37 - Tel. 081.801.17.23

“**Magiga 2000**”, via Caprile, 2 - Tel. 081.801.19.58

“**Malafrente Michele**”, via Santa Caterina, 37 -
Tel. 081.801.29.60

“**Malafrente Michele**”, via Roma, 58 -
Tel. 081.801.33.44

“**Malafrente**”, via Staglie, 8 - Tel. 081.871.76.36

“**Malafrente Ugo**”, via Ponte Trivione, 4 -
Tel. 081.801.28.39

“**Mascolo**”, via M. Spagnuolo - Tel. 081.873.33.87

“**Mascolo Domenico**”, via Casa dei Miri, 10 -
Tel. 081.872.64.54

“**Mascolo Ciro**”, S.S. 366 to Agerola, 74 -
Tel. 081.879.58.44

“**Miramonti**”, S.S. 366 to Agerola, 111 -
Tel. 081.801.36.74

“**Noemi**”, via Madonna delle Grazie, 199 -
Tel. 081.870.462

“**Non Solo Pizza**”, via Pantano, 2 - Tel. 081.872.66.59

“**Poker**”, via Roma, 126 - Tel. 081.801.28.28

“**Rapacciuolo**”, via Starza, 48 - Tel. 081.873.35.94

“**San Domenico**”, via dei Sepolcri, 19 -
Tel. 081.872.57.62

“**San Michele**”, via Santa Croce, 5 -
Tel. 081.801.10.50

“**Trattopizza**”, via Starza, 48 -
Tel. 081.873.35.94

Agritourisms

“**L'Uliveto**” (4 rooms), via San Giacomo, 45 -
Tel/fax 081.539.19.81; info@ulivetogragnano.com -
www.ulivetogragnano.com

LETTERE

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then SS366 to Agerola

By train

Railway, stations of Castellammare di Stabia and Gragnano

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081. 802.27.11

Police Station - Tel. 081. 802.10.96

Carabinieri - Tel. 081. 802.11.60

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Sant'Anna, via Conserve, 18 -
Tel. 081.802.10.59



Congress facilities

"Elisabetta" ★★★★★ (3 rooms, 400 seats),
via Cierco, 2 - Tel. 081.802.10.54, 802.13.23,
fax 802.22.16; info@elisabetta.it - www.elisabetta.it

"La Canonica" ★★★★★ (2 rooms, 230 seats),
via San Lorenzo, 20 - Tel. 081.802.10.58,
fax 802.22.08; www.hotellacanonica.it

Sites and monuments

Remains of the Castle (built by Amalfi citizens in the X c., on a pre-existing Roman fortress that is said to have taken in the fugitive Silla, the keep was rebuilt by the Angevins 4 centuries later: perimeter walls, three cylindrical keeps and the main central donjon.

Nature and surroundings

Excursions: to Lettere castle (347 m); to the source of the Lettere aqueduct (600 m); to Monte Muto (668 m); to Monte Pendolo (618 m), to Monte Pino (576 m). Fascinating nature trails through the Valleys of Castello, dei Mulini and del Pericolo.

Climbs: to Monte Cerreto (1316 m), to Monte Cervigliano or Acquafredda (1203 m).

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; confectionery

Wine:

Wine farm **"F.lli Nasti"**, via San Giovanni, 2 -
Tel/fax 081.802.21.64; fratellinasti@tiscalinet.it

"Cantina Sant'Anna", c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 67 -
Tel. 081.802.21.36

"Cantine Borgo Sant'Anna", c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 99 -
Tel. 081.802.24.28, 802.11.48;
borgosanna@terranostra.campania.it

Dairy products & cheese:

"Fratelli Bari", via Casa Sabatino, 21 -
Tel. 081.802.18.14

Salamis:

"Abagnale", c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 147 -
Tel. 081.802.11.61

"Vuolo", p.za Roma, 23 - Tel. 081.802.15.04

Sweets:

"Antica Pasticceria Sant'Anna",
via San Nicola Castello, 1 - Tel. 081.802.14.81

Events

"Festival of St Anne", July 26th, religious and social celebrations in honour of the venerated Saint.

Hotels

"Elisabetta" ★★★★★ (7 rooms), via Cierco, 2 -
Tel. 081.802.10.54, 802.13.23, fax 802.22.16;
info@elisabetta.it - www.elisabetta.it



"La Canonica" ★★★★★ (32 rooms), via San Lorenzo, 20 -
Tel. 081.802.10.58, fax 802.22.08;
lacaonica@libero.it - www.hotellacanonica.it



"Paradiso di Lettere" ★★★ (8 rooms),
via San Martino, 20 - Tel. 081.802.10.57,
fax 802.23.75; paradisolettere@tin.it -
www.hotelristoranteparadiso.com

**Restaurants**

"Coniglio d'Oro", via Molini - Tel. 081.802.10.78

"delle Rose", via Nuova Depugliano, 18 -
Tel. 081.802.11.33

"Elisabetta", via Cierco, 2 - Tel. 081.802.13.23

"Gli Ulivi", via Mutulano, 22 - Tel. 081.873.42.71

"La Canonica", via San Lorenzo, 4 -
Tel. 081.802.10.58

"Meridiana", via Conselve, 60 -
Tel. 081.802.24.24, 802.21.88

"Nido della Foresta", via Nuova Depugliano, 13 -
Tel. 081.802.22.30

"O Funtaniero", via Del Castello, 15 -
Tel. 081.802.11.11

"Paradiso di Lettere", via San Martino, 20 -
Tel. 081.802.10.57

Agritourisms

"Res Rustica" (4 rooms), via Casa Ruotolo, 3 -
Tel. 081.802.17.61

MASSA LUBRENSE**How to get there**

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento and follow the signs to Massa Lubrense

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Sorrento

Bus service

Daily connections to Sorrento

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.533.94.01

Police Station - Tel. 081.878.91.65

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.878.03.84

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Celentano, via Palma, 16 - Tel. 081.878.90.81

Pharmacy dei Golfi, c.so Sant'Agata, 61/b (loc. Sant'Agata dei Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.878.00.83

Pharmacy Termini, p.za Santa Croce, 4 (loc. Termini) - Tel. 081.808.11.90

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, v.le Filangieri, 11 - Tel. 081.533.90.21; prolocolubrense@libero.it. President Visitors' Office Gaetano Milone

Travel agencies

"Diving Tour", via Fontanelle, 18 (loc. Marina della Lobra) - Tel. 081.808.90.03, fax 878.96.89; www.divingtour.it

"Web Travel", via Filangieri, 40 - Tel. 081.533.90.00

Congress facilities

"Villa Angelina", Training, Meeting and Congress Centre (1 hall, 130 places; 1 hall, 60 places; 1 hall, 40 places), Via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.96.01, fax 533.96.240

"Delfino" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 200 seats), via Nastro d'Oro, 2 - Tel. 081.878.92.61, fax 808.90.74; www.hoteldelfino.com

"Grand Hotel Due Golfi" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 300 seats), via Nastro Azzurro, 1 - Tel. 081.878.00.04, fax 808.04.41; www.grandhotelduegolfi.com

"Hermitage" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Nastro Verde, 9 - Tel. 081.878.00.82, fax 878.00.62; www.grandhotelhermitage.it

"Montana" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Torricella, 2/a (loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.878.01.26, fax 878.05.80; info@montanahotel.it - www.montanahotel.it

"O Sole Mio" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats), via Deserto, 13 - Tel. 081.878.00.05, fax 878.04.26; www.osolemiohotel.com

"Hotel & Spa Bellavista Francischiello" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Partenope, 26 - Tel. 081.878.91.81, fax 808.93.41; www.francischiello.it

"Sant'Agata" ★★★ S (2 halls, 150 seats), via dei Campi, 8/a - Tel. 081.808.08.00, fax 533.07.49; www.hotelsantagata.com

"Reginella" ★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats), via Termine, 7 - Tel. 081.878.00.43, fax 878.02.59; www.hotelreginella.com

"Termini" ★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Termini Roncato, 6 - Tel/fax 081.808.10.41; www.hotel-termini.net

"Villa Lubrense" ★★★ (1 hall, 250 seats), via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.97.81, fax 533.98.58; www.villalubrense.com

Sites and monuments

Cathedral of Santa Maria delle Grazie (1512, restructured in the mid XVIII c.; in Largo Vescovado), inside: XVIII c. majolica floor; two XVI c. paintings: in the apse *Madonna delle Grazie (Our Lady of Graces)* by Andrea da Salerno) in the left transept *Madonna con i Santi*.

Church of Santa Teresa (1689)

Sanctuary of Santa Maria della Lobra (1528): outside, a bell tower topped by a small egg-shaped enamelled cupola; inside: coffered ceiling, XVIII majolica floor; in the chapel on the right of the presbytery, a wooden *Crucifix* (XVIII c.) and a panel showing *Madonna con San Giovanni (Mary with St John)* from the XVI century.

Convent of the Franciscans (XVII c.): inside, a small rustic cloister.

Church of Santa Maria della Misericordia (1613): inside, *Madonna col Bambino, San Giuseppe e San Francesco d'Assisi (Madonna and Child, St Joseph and St Francis of Assisi)*, attributed to Guido Reni; XIV c. statuette of *Madonna col Bambino (Madonna and Child)* by the School of Pisa.

Church of the Annunziata (late XVII c.), annexed to the welcoming Monastery of the Frati Minimi. Inside, main altar with XVIII c. inlaid polychrome marbles.

Church of Santa Maria, inside: *Madonna della Carità (Our Lady of Charity)* by Guido Reni (XVII c.)

Cylindrical Tower, remains of the XIV c. castle

Church of Santi Pietro e Paolo (XVII c., Pastena): inside, majolica floor; *SS Pietro e Paolo* attributed to Luca Giordano; *Testa di San Filippo Neri (Head of St Filippo Neri)* by the School of Guido Reni.

Nature and surroundings

Marina di Puolo. Celebrated by the Latin poet Stazio for its beauty, this bathing beach still has visible traces of its ancient past. Here, among the neat low cottages of the local fishermen, one can still see the columns of temples dedicated to Hercules and Neptune.

Marina della Lobra. Once upon a time there was a temple dedicated to Proserpina in this ancient characteristic village of fishermen and carpenters of the local ship-building yard. The temple was located next to the charming little port. During the Middle Ages it was changed into a Catholic church.

Marina del Cantone. The beach of the picturesque Nerano, beloved by tourists and bathers, for thousands of years has been telling immortal and beautiful tales, such as the story of Ulysses and the Sirens, who lived here, according to legend, the personification of sweet and feminine Nature, exciting and melodiously attractive.

Marine Reserve Punta Campanella

(Consorzio, v.le Filangieri, 40 - Tel. 081.808.98.77, fax 878.96.63; - info@puncacampanella.org - www.puncacampanella.org); Excursions. This enchanting strip of land lying on the sea divides the bays of Naples and Salerno. At its tip the Tower of Punta Campanella and of Minerva, an age-old defence against the dangers arriving from the sea (storms and Saracens), was built by the Angvins (XIV c.) on the remains of an Augustan villa. The Romans had chosen this as the Imperial family's closest landing place to the island of Capri, and, as was customary, they used the remains of the local temple to Minerva (which, according to legend was built by Ulysses in person), the patron goddess of the ancient populations of Magna Graecia. Near the tower stands an extremely ancient stairway with an epigraph in the Oscan language (II c. B.C.) carved into the rock.

Bay of Ieranto Nature Area (at FAI, Campania

Regional Delegation, Via F. Caracciolo, 13, Napoli - Tel/Fax 081.761.37.32) excursions from dawn to one hour before sunset. In ancient times the wild and jealously protected Bay of Ieranto was considered sacred, the stage where stories and legends about gods and supermen were played out. One of the 20 Italian Marine Parks (part of it is under the care and protection of the FAI, Italian Wildlife Fund) it can also be reached by a path leading from the centre of Nerano.

Rock of the Vervece, almost 1 km from the little port of Marina della Lobra, the rock, whose name means 'he goat' and which is called 'o Revece' by



the locals, towers above a small statue of the Madonna that stands on the sea bed about 12 m below the surface. The Madonna is the protectress of divers, who find this a paradise in the sea: colonies of white and orange horny coral, flowering underwater gardens, red spirografs and starfish, lobsters and all the typical fauna of this enchanted corner of the Mediterranean.

Excursions: to the Deserto (456 m); to Monte S. Costanzo (497 m), which offers the breathtaking panorama of the two bays, up to the little votive chapel of San Costanzo, built on a pre-existing Greek temple and probably used as a light house to help the Phoenician and Greek sailors in their line-of-sight navigation; from Massa Lubrense to Termini (over 6 km of solitary road, between panoramic glimpses, grottos, ancient ruins, valleys and luxuriant vegetation); to Monte San Costanzo and to the Eremo (Hermitage) (497 m); to Santa Maria and to the Annunziata, which ends in front of the beautiful Villa Rossi.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; fresh and seasoned cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit: citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP), walnuts; spices; meat and fish; confectionery (sfogliatelle, delizie, profiteroles, lemon cakes, water ice, marmalade); spirits, distillates, digestives (limoncello, fennel, tangerine, liquorice, nocillo, citron, basil, laurel)

The tastes of the Coast:

Agritourism and farm "**Fattoria Terranova**", via Pontone, 10 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.533.02.34 (typical rosolio; oil, spiced oil, in oil products; wine, fruit and vegetables, jams, paste; puréed tomatoes)

Wines & distillates:

"**Agrimar**", via V. Maggio, 40 - Tel. 081.808.96.82
 "**Enoteca Persico**", via Roma, 34 - Tel. 081.878.90.03
 "**Il Convento**", via Liparulo, 12 - Tel. 081.878.93.80
 "**La Villanella**", via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.96.01
 "**Nastro d'Oro**", p.za Santa Croce, 5 - Tel. 081.808.13.68
 "**Romano**", via Partenope, 30 - Tel. 081.878.90.41
 "**Villa Angelina**", Via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081/533.96.01, Fax 533.96.240; villaangelina@villaangelina.it - www.villaangelina.it

Oil:

"**Agrimar**", via V. Maggio, 40 - Tel. 081.808.96.82

"**Il Convento**", via Liparulo, 12 - Tel. 081.878.93.80
 "**Il Gesù**", via IV Novembre, 26/b - Tel. 081.808.94.19
 "**La Lobra**", via Fontanella, 17 - Tel. 081.878.90.73
 "**La Villanella**", via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.96.01
 "**Le Peracciole**", via Campanella (loc. Termini, loc. Punta Campanella) - Tel. 081.533.05.58
 "**Le Tore**", via Pontone, 43 (loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.808.06.37, 333.986.669.1
 "**Torre Cangiani**", via Vigliano - Tel. 081.533.98.49

Fruit and vegetables:

"**Il Gesù**", via IV Novembre, 26/b - Tel. 081.808.94.19
 "**Il Giardino di Vigliano**", via Vigliano, 3 - Tel. 081.533.98.23
 "**La Villanella**", via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.96.01
 "**Torre Cangiani**", via Vigliano - Tel. 081.533.98.49

Delicatessen:

"**Alimentari Tasso**", via Croce, 3 - Tel. 081.808.00.78
 "**Aprea Emilia**", via V. Casola, 2 - Tel. 081.878.05.90
 "**Cacace Mariano**", via Roma, 60 - Tel. 081.878.91.04
 "**Cacace Rachele**", p.za Nerano, 4 (loc. Nerano) - Tel. 081.808.10.69
 "**Delicatessen Persico**", via Roma, 34 - Tel. 081.878.90.03
 "**De Simone Crescenzo**", via Roncato, 9 - Tel. 081.808.19.89
 "**Guarracino Carmela**", c.so Sant'Agata - Tel. 081.878.01.08
 "**Schisano Stella**", via Torricella, 99 - Tel. 081.808.04.51

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"**Schisano Stella**", via Torricella, 99 - Tel. 081.808.04.51

Dairy products & cheese:

"**Cacace**", via L. Bozzaotre, 16 - Tel. 081.808.11.32
 "**De Gregorio Marcello**", via Pontescuro, 2 - Tel. 081.808.12.93
 "**Del Monte**", via San Costanzo (loc. Termini)
 "**Due Golfi**", via Pontescuro, 4 - Tel. 081.808.12.90, 808.28.56

Sweets:

"**Jachy**", via Leucosia, 27 - Tel. 081.808.18.64
 "**Fiorentino**", via Nastro Azzurro, 7 - Tel. 081.878.00.64
 "**Gourmet**", p.za Rachione
 "**Massimo Di Sarno**", v.le Filangieri, 2 - Tel. 081.878.92.44
 "**Mazzola**", via Massa Turro, 7/9 - Tel. 081.878.96.04

“**Coppola Giuseppina**”, c.so Sant’Agata, 2/c -
Tel. 081.878.01.33

Handicraft

Wrought iron, laces, embroidery, wicker baskets,
“pagliarelle”, leather sandals

Sandals:

“**Balduccelli**”, v.le Filangieri, 12 -
Tel/fax 081.808.93.15; info@balduccelli.com -
www.balduccelli.com

Pottery:

“**La Campanella**”, via Campanella, 3 (loc. Termini) -
Tel. 339.868.53.23

‘Gozzo’ boats:

Cantiere Nautico De Simone Mare,
Via A. Vespucci, 25 - Tel. 330.321.805

Sea Gem, Via Pontescuro, 2 - Tel. 081.808.19.80
(Salvatore Gargiulo)

Events

“**Walk of the 23 Hamlets**” (April 25th, start at 9.00-
finish at 17.00); a pleasant one-day walk within the
vast territory of the municipality for collectively
experienced blasts from the past, contact with
nature, sharing flavours and scents and typical
products of the local cuisine, along new roads and
ancient lanes, pathways that have been recovered or
restored, through fascinating places, to rediscover
minor monuments, unusual sights and views.

“**Living Crib of Torca**” (Torca) December, it involves
hundreds of people in costume: the old, the young
and the children take part in re-creating the
“Southern Bethlehem”, interpreting characters from
peasant tradition and artisans from long ago,
among the alleyways and houses of this tiny hamlet.

“**Termini Carnival**” (Termini), parade of allegorical
floats, walk-ons, folkloristic groups and masked
groups, performances, live music, games,
fireworks, and stands for tasting local food
products.

“**Holy Week Rites**”, Good Friday, procession in
costume (www.processioni.com)

“**Duello d’(A)mare - Drive in Boat**” (Cala Puolo),
summer: cinema review with audience watching
from the beach and from boats.

“**Lemon Festival**”, first ten days in July, celebrating
the ‘top of the pops’ in citrus fruit, the ‘yellow gold’
of the *Costiera*.

“**Festival of San Costanzo**”, (Termini) July 21st and
22nd: excursions, cultural events, performances,
music and fireworks.

“**Phaselus Lucernae**” (Piazza Vescovado, Piazza

Sant’Agata), July 29th-August 21st: journey among
voices, sounds and dreams... with the mythical
phantom vessel (organised by the Office for the
Promotion of Tourism and the Performing Arts and
by “L’Arcolaio Teatro Eventi”).

“**Everything Must Go! 1st Festival of Bartering,
Second Hand and Outlets!**” (Sant’Agata)
August 4th-5th

“**Festival of the Assunta**” (Marina della Lobra),
August 6th - 16th

“**Fiordilatte Festival and Local Craft Exhibition**”
(Schiazzano), August 10th-12th

“**Festival of the Madonna Assunta**”, August 15th a
long and affecting procession of the miraculous
statue of the Virgin venerated in the Convento della
Lobra, from where it is taken out and carried
across part of the territory of the municipality,
among general devotion and welcoming fireworks.

“**Classical Musical Summer Review**”
(at Palazzo Vespoli), second half of August

“**Salvatore di Giacomo Prize**”, late August-early
September: in honour of the great Neapolitan poet,
a calendar packed with performances, music,
cultural events and local excursions.

“**National Art Prize of the City of Massa Lubrense**”,
September - October, aimed at the students of all
the Academies of Fine Art in Italy, who test their
talents in the three sections of the competition
(sculpture, photography and painting)

“**International Celebration Dedicated to the
Madonnina del Vervecce**” 1st Sunday in September:
on the rock celebrating the sporting enterprises and
witnesses the relationship between man and sea, a
moving service dedicated to the memory of divers
and sailors who have died at sea anywhere in the
world, laying of commemorative wreaths and
plaques, and a dive by divers from all over the
world, in the presence of town authorities and
international guests.

Typical markets

Every Friday (loc. San Francesco)

Exhibition-market, December

Hotels

“**Oasi Olimpia Relais**” ★★★★★ (12 rooms),
via Deserto, 26 - Tel. 081.808.05.60, fax 808.52.14;
info@oasiolimpiarelais.it - www.oasiolimpiarelais.it
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“**Conca Azzurra - Sea Club**” ★★★★★ (31 rooms),
via Villazano, 3 - Tel. 081.878.96.66,
fax 808.91.20; seaclub@virgilio.it
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- “Delfino” ★★★★★** (64 rooms), via Nastro d’Oro, 2 -
 Tel. 081.878.92.61, fax 808.90.74;
 info@hoteldelfino.com - www.hoteldelfino.com
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- “Freedom” ★★★★★** (35 rooms), via Titigliano, 30/a -
 Tel. 081.808.02.38, fax 808.07.38
- “Grand Hotel Due Golfi” ★★★★★** (60 rooms),
 via Nastro Azzurro, 1 - Tel. 081.878.00.04,
 fax 808.04.41; info@gandhotelduegolfi.com -
 www.grandhotelduegolfi.com
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- “Grand Hotel Hermitage” ★★★★★** (90 rooms),
 via Nastro Verde, 9 (loc. Sant’Agata sui Due Golfi) -
 Tel. 081.878.00.82, fax 878.00.62; hermitag@tin.it -
 www.grandhotelhermitage.it
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- “Iaccarino” ★★★★★** (88 rooms), via Nastro Verde, 4
 Tel. 081.878.00.12, fax 533.02.29;
 info@hoteliaccarino.it - www.hoteliaccarino.it
- “Montana” ★★★★★** (50 rooms), via Torricella, 2/a
 (loc. Sant’Agata sui Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.878.01.26,
 fax 878.05.80; info@montanahotel.it -
 www.montanahotel.it
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- “O Sole Mio” ★★★★★** (56 rooms), via Deserto, 13 -
 Tel. 081.878.00.05, fax 878.04.26;
 info@osolemiohotel.com - www.osolemiohotel.com
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- “Relais Blu Belvedere” ★★★★★** (11 suites),
 via Roncato, 60 (loc. Termini) - Tel. 081.878.95.52,
 fax 878.93.04; info@relaisblu.com -
 www.relaisblu.com
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- “Villa Anna” ★★★★★** (16 flatlets), via Calata di Puolo, 18 -
 Tel. 081.533.98.00, fax 533.99.54;
 info@villaannaresidencehotel.com -
 www.villaannaresidencehotel.com
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- “Hotel & Spa Bellavista Francischiello” ★★★S**
 (28 rooms), via Partenope, 26 - Tel. 081.878.91.81,
 fax 808.93.41; info@francischiello.it -
 www.francischiello.it
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- “Antico Francischiello - Hotel Villa Pina” ★★★**
 (25 rooms), via Partenope, 27 - Tel. 081.533.97.80,
 Fax 807.18.13; - www.francischiello.com
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- “Baia di Puolo” ★★★** (47 rooms),
 via Marina di Puolo, 10 -
 Tel. 081.533.97.96, fax 533.97.88;
 info@baiadipuolo.com - www.baiadipuolo.com
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- “Central Park” ★★★** (50 rooms), via Massa Turro, 4 -
 Tel. 081.878.93.18, fax 808.92.44;
 info@centralpark.it - www.centralpark.it
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- “delle Palme” ★★★** (49 rooms), c.so Sant’Agata, 32
 - Tel. 081.878.00.25, fax 878.01.77;
 hoteldellepalme@libero.it -
 www.hoteldellepalme.info
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"Hotel Residence Nerano" ★★★ (58 rooms),
p.za Nerano, 5 (loc. Marina del Cantone) -
Tel/fax 081.808.21.67; www.residencenerano.com

"La Certosa" ★★★ (16 rooms), via Marina del
Cantone, 23 - Tel. 081.808.12.09, fax 808.12.45;
info@hotelcertosa.com - www.hotelcertosa.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"La Maison des Vacances - Sea Club" ★★★
(25 rooms), via Villazano, 3 - Tel. 081.808.91.08,
878.96.66, fax 808.91.20; seaclub@virgilio.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"La Pergoletta" ★★★ (29 rooms),
via Nastro Azzurro, 77 (loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) -
Tel. 081.878.01.45, fax 808.09.54;
info@hotellapergoletta.com -
www.hotellapergoletta.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"La Primavera" ★★★ (16 rooms), via IV novembre, 3 -
Tel. 081.878.91.25, fax 808.95.56;
info@hotellaprimavera.com -
www.hotellaprimavera.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Le Nereidi" ★★★ (15 rooms), p.za Madonna della
Lobra, 5 (loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) -
Tel. 081.878.94.19, fax 808.90.56
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"Le Sirene" ★★★ (16 rooms), Marina del Cantone, 27 -
Tel. 081.808.17.71, fax 808.10.27;
info@lesirenehotel.it - www.lesirenehotel.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Locanda del Capitano" ★★★ (12 rooms),
p.za delle Sirene, 11 (loc. Marina del Cantone) -
Tel. 081.808.10.28, fax 808.18.92;
tavdelcap@inwind.it - www.tavernadelcapitano.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Piccolo Paradiso" ★★★ (54 rooms), p.za Madonna
della Lobra, 5 (loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) -
Tel. 081.878.92.40, fax 808.90.56, info@piccolo-
paradiso.com - www.piccolo-paradiso.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Reginella" ★★★ (26 rooms), via Termine, 7 -
Tel. 081.878.00.43, 878.00.67, fax 878.02.59;
hotelreginella@virgilio.it - www.hotelreginella.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Sant'Agata" ★★★ S (43 rooms), via dei Campi, 8/a
- Tel. 081.808.08.00, fax 533.07.49;
info@hotelsantagata.com -
www.hotelsantagata.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Termini" ★★★ (32 rooms), via Termini Roncato, 6 -
Tel/fax 081.808.10.41; info@hotel-termini.net -
www.hotel-termini.net
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"Villa Fernanda" ★★★ (22 rooms), via dei Campi, 14 -
Tel. 081.878.05.24, fax 533.05.13;
info@hotelvillaferanda.it -
www.hotelvillaferanda.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Villa Fiorella" ★★★ (24 rooms),
via Marina della Lobra, 5 - Tel/fax 081.878.92.42

"Villa Lubrense" ★★★ (20 rooms and bungalows),
via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.97.81,
fax 533.98.58; villalubrense@libero.it -
www.villalubrense.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Villa Pina" ★★★ (15 rooms), via Partenope, 40 -
Tel. 081.533.97.80, fax 807.18.13;
info@francischiello.com - www.francischiello.com
☎ ☎ ☎

"Metrano" ★ (10 rooms), via N. Pacifico, 4
(loc. Monticchio) - Tel/fax 081.808.19.00;
pensionemetrano@katamail.com -
www.pensionemetrano.net

Restaurants

"Alta Marea", via Marina di Puolo, 1 -
Tel. 081.533.99.18

"Antico Francischiello", via Partenope, 27 -
Tel. 081.533.97.80

"Baia di Puolo", via Marina di Puolo, 10 -
Tel. 081.533.97.96

"Baia Nerano", via Marina del Cantone, 49 -
Tel. 081.808.11.13

"Conca del Sogno", via S. Marciano, 9 -
Tel. 081.808.10.36

"da Cardillo", via dei Campi, 3 - Tel. 081.533.04.17

"da Francesco", p.za Schiazzano, 3 -
Tel. 081.808.10.03

"da Gigino Terrazza sul Mare", via Fontanelle, 1 -
Tel. 081.878.95.83

"da Michele", via Fontanelle, 12 - Tel. 081.878.981

"da Vittorio", via Torricella, 81 - Tel. 081.878.02.95

"Don Alfonso 1890", c.so Sant'Agata, 11
(loc. Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.878.00.26,
533.05.58

"Due Golfi", via Nastro Azzurro, 1 -
Tel. 081.878.00.04

"Emilia", via Reola, 12 - Tel. 081.808.06.43

"Grand Hotel Hermitage", via Nastro Verde, 9 -
Tel. 081.878.00.82

"Il Cantuccio", via Nerano, 1
(loc. Marina del Cantone) - Tel. 081.808.12.88

"I Quattro Venti", via Nastro Azzurro, 26 -
Tel. 081.808.09.01

“**Jhonny Pizza & Sfizi**” (over 40 types of pizza), via S. Caputo, 1/e (loc. Monticchio) - Tel. 081.533.06.70

“**L'Angolo del Mare**”, via Marina di Puolo, 14 - Tel. 081.533.80.22

“**La Primavera**”, via IV novembre, 3 - Tel. 081.878.91.25

“**La Tavernetta**”, via Cala di Puolo, 16 - Tel. 081.533.97.97, 878.98.18

“**La Torre**”, p.za Annunziata, 7 - Tel. 081.808.95.66

“**Le Sirene**”, via Marina del Cantone - Tel. 081.808.17.71

“**Lo Scoglio**”, p.za delle Sirene, 15 - Tel. 081.808.10.26

“**Lo Stuzzichino**”, via Deserto, 1/a (loc. Sant'Agata dei Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.533.00.10

“**Margherita**”, via dei Campi, 13 - Tel. 081. 878.03.21

“**Maria Grazia**”, via Marina del Cantone, 65 - Tel. 081.808.10.11

“**Metrano**”, via N. Pacifico, 4 (loc. Monticchio) - Tel. 081.808.19.00

“**Montana**”, via Torricella, 2 - Tel. 081.878.01.26

“**Nastro d'Oro**”, via Nastro d'Oro, 18 - Tel. 081.808.91.87

“**Pappone**”, via Marina del Cantone, 23 - Tel. 081.808.12.09

“**Piccolo Paradiso**”, p.za Madonna della Lobra, 5 - Tel. 081.878.92.40

“**Pic Nic**”, via Regina Margherita, 26 - Tel. 081.878.01.65

“**Quattro Passi**”, via A. Vespucci, 13/n (loc. Cantone) - Tel. 081.808.28.00

“**Reginella**”, via Termine, 7 - Tel. 081.878.00.43

“**Relais Blu**”, via Roncato, 60 - Tel. 081.878.95.52

“**Riccardo Francischiello**”, via Partenope, 26 - Tel. 081.878.91.81

“**Salvatore & Mafalda**”, p.za Santa Croce, 8 - Tel. 081.808.11.07, 808.22.00

“**Sant'Agata**”, via dei Campi, 8/a - Tel. 081.808.08.00

“**St. Raphael**”, via Marina di Puolo, 23 - Tel. 081.533.98.14

“**Sea Club**”, via Villazzano, 3 - Tel. 081.878.96.66

“**Taverna del Capitano**”, p.za delle Sirene (loc. Nerano, Marina del Cantone) - Tel. 081.808.10.28

“**Tramonto Rosso**”, via Caprile, 1 - Tel. 081.808.10.45

“**Villa Anna**”, via Calata di Puolo, 18 - Tel. 081.533.98.00

“**Villa Lubrense**”, via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.97.81

“**Villa Fiorella**”, loc. Marina della Lobra - Tel. 081.878.92.42

“**Villa Lubrense**”, via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.97.81

“**Villa Oasi**”, via Deserto, 26 - Tel. 081.808.05.60

Agritourisms

“**Agrimar**” (6 bungalows), via V. Maggio, 40 - Tel/fax 081.808.96.82; agri_mar@libero.it

“**Fattoria Terranova**” (4 rooms), via Pontone, 10 (loc. Sant'Agata dei Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.533.02.34, fax 533.08.89; info@fattoriaterranova.it - www.fattoriaterranova.it

“**Il Giardino di Vigliano**” (3 rooms + 1 apartment), via Vigliano, 3 - Tel. 081.533.98.23, fax 533.98.37; info@vigliano.org - www.vigliano.org

“**La Lobra**” (9 rooms), via Fontanella, 17 - Tel/fax 081.878.90.73; info@lalobra.it - www.lalobra.it

“**La Villanella**”, via Partenope, 31 - Tel. 081.533.96.01, fax 533.96.240; lavillanella@lavillanella.it - www.lavillanella.it

“**Le Tore**” (8 rooms + 1 apartment), via Pontone, 43 (loc. Sant'Agata dei Due Golfi) - Tel. 081.808.06.37, 333.986.669.1, fax 533.08.19; info@letore.com - www.letore.com

“**Torre Cangiani**” (2 rooms), via Vigliano, 1/a - Tel/fax 081.533.98.49; info@torrecangiani.com - www.torrecangiani.com

Room rental

“**Alta Marea**” (4 rooms), via Marina di Puolo, 5 (loc. Puolo) - Tel. 081.533.99.18; www.altamareasorrento.it

“**Bellavista**” (34 rooms), via Partenope, 26 (loc. Villazzano) - Tel. 081.878.91.81, fax 808.93.41

“**Chalet Li Campi**” (3 rooms), via dei Campi, 8 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel/fax 081.878.05.14, 335.820.997.0; info@licampi.com - www.licampi.com

“**La Conca del Sogno**” (7 rooms), via San Marciano, 9 (loc. Recommonne) - Tel/fax 081.808.10.36, 808.28.28; www.concadelasogno.it

“**Quattro Passi**”, via A. Vespucci, 13/m (loc. Cantone) - Tel/fax 081.808.28.00, 808.12.71; info@ristorantequattropassi.com - www.ristorantequattropassi.com

“**Resort Terranova**” (4 rooms), via Pontone, 10 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.533.02.34, fax 533.08.89; info@fattoriaterranova.it - www.fattoriaterranova.it

“**Villa Angelina**”, via dei Campi, 27/c (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel/fax 081.808.06.51

"Villa Caprile", via Monte Arso, 1 (loc. Caprile) - Tel. 081.808.52.00

"Villa Eliana", Via San Giuseppe, 1 trav. Nastro Verde - Tel. 081.878.92.72, Fax 808.95.59; info@villaeliana.com, www.villaeliana.com

B&B

"Belmare" (1 apartment), via A. Vespucci, 34 (loc. Cantone) - Tel. 081.808.18.33; belmare@libero.it

"Blue Moon" (2 rooms), rotabile Turro - Pastena, 3 (loc. Monticchio) - Tel. 081.878.06.34, 338.411.890.6; fabionunziata@libero.it

"Casapastena" (3 rooms), via Deserto, 1 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.808.03.94, fax 580.01.86

"dei Fiori" (3 rooms), via dei Campi, 24 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081878.09.34, fax 533.09.49; elioamore@alice.it

"De Maria House" (3 rooms), via Regina Margherita, 26 (loc. Pastena) - Tel/fax 081.808.52.11, 338.217.757.6; info@demariahouse.net - www.demariahouse.net

"Green Paradise" (3 rooms), via Deserto, 14/c - Tel/fax 081.808.01.52; info@greenparadise.biz - www.greenparadise.biz

"Il Giardino delle Zagare" - Tel. 081.878.94.89

"Il Giardino su Capri" (3 rooms), via Cercito, 14 (loc. Termini) - Tel. 081.808.16.15

"Maresca House" (3 flatlets), via Molini, 9 - Tel. 081.808.90.96, 338.929.297.1; marescaresidence@libero.it - www.marescahouse.it

"Residenza Villa Titina" (3 rooms), c.so Sant'Agata, 22/24 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel/fax 081.878.09.07, 339.790.928.1; www.villatitina.com

"Villa Amore" (3 rooms), via dei Campi, 35/b (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.533.03.42, 333.409.855.5

"Villa Angela" (3 rooms), via Roncato 35/a (loc. Termini) - Tel. 081.808.90.36

"Villa Conola" (3 rooms), I trav.sa Gradoni, 9 (loc. Monticchio) - Tel. 081.533.06.54; info@villaconola.it - www.massalubrense.it/conola.htm

"Villa La Riviera" (1 room), via Marcigliano, 5 (loc. Riviera San Montano) - Tel. 081.808.93.14; villalariviera@virgilio.it - www.massalubrense.it/lariviera.htm

"Villa Mon Plaisir" (3 rooms), via dei Galli, 1/a - Tel/fax 081.877.15.63, 878.05.54; www.villamonplaisir.it

"Villa Starace" (3 rooms), via Roncato, 13/b - Tel/fax 081.808.21.99; info@villastarace.it - www.villastarace.it

Holiday apartments

"Casa Antonella" (1 room), via C. Colombo, 27 - Tel. 081.878.35.62, fax 878.13.72; www.colonnahotels.com

"Casa Cacace", via San Nicola, 7 (loc. Acquara) - Tel. 081.533.05.24

"Casa Cangiano", via C. Colombo, 38/40 (loc. Lobra) - Tel. 081.533.90.45, 338.987.677.1

"Casa Gargiulo", via Bagnulo, 4 - Tel. 339.107.224.4

"Casa La Solaria", via Caselle, 10 (loc. Marciano) - Tel. 081.533.93.63, 338.909.142.3

"Casale La Torre", via Caselle, 4 (loc. Marciano) - Tel. 081.808.07.81

"Casale Villarena" country house (6 apartments, 2 rooms), via Cantone, 3 - Tel. 081.808.17.79, fax 808.28.98; info@casalevillarena.com - www.casalevillarena.com

"Casetta Rosa", loc. Acquara - Tel. 081.533.05.24

"Cassiopa" via Arenaccia, 2/b - Tel/fax 081.808.13.74

"Dive Residence", via Fontanelle, 18 (loc. Marina della Lobra) - Tel. 081.808.90.03, fax 878.96.89; info@diveresidence.com - www.diveresidence.com

"Dolce Sonno" - Tel. 081.245.13.17, 338.491.675.5; info@bbdolcesonno.it - www.bbdolcesonno.it

"Fondo Santa Lucia" (1 room), via Fontana di Forma, 10 - Tel. 081.808.02.05; bandsantalucia@libero.it

"Freedom Holiday" ★★★ (20 apartments), via Titigliano, 30/a - Tel. 081.807.40.39, fax 807.41.36; info@sorrentovacanze.com - www.sorrentovacanze.com

"Gocce di Capri" ★★★ (21 apartments), via della Tore, 7 - Tel. 081.808.10.32, fax 808.16.83; info@goccedicapri.it - www.goccedicapri.it

"Il Casolare Harmony Le Petit Bijou", via dei Campi, 29 (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.878.02.30, 338.138.158.4

"Il Giardinetto" (2 rooms), via N. Pacifico, 12 (loc. Metrano) - Tel/fax 081.808.15.63

"Il Montano", via Montecorbo, 1 (loc. Montecorbo) - Tel. 081.878.96.65

"Il Nido", via Desert 10/d (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel/fax 081.808.13.74

"Il Terrazzo di Anna", via Casapastena 12/a (loc. Sant'Agata) - Tel. 081.808.01.99; info@ilterrazzodianna.com - www.ilterrazzodianna.com

"La Rosa dei Venti" (3 flatlets), via Partenope, 19 (loc. San Montano) - Tel. 333.298.604.7,

333.729.675.3, fax 081.808.92.28;
info@larosadeiventi.com - www.larosadeiventi.com

“**Magnolia House**” (1 apartment), via dei Campi, 27/d -
Tel. 081.808.06.09; info@magnoliahouse.it -
www.magnoliahouse.it

“**Olga’s Residence**”, p.za Nerano, 3 -
Tel. 339.782.454.1, 081.808.10.13. fax 808.10.35;
info@olgasresidence.com -
www.olgasresidence.com

“**Residence Nerano**” ★★★ (58 rooms), p.za Nerano, 5
(loc. Marina del Cantone) - Tel. 081.808.21.65, fax
808.21.67; www.residencenerano.com

“**Sea View House**”, via Marina di Puolo, 36
(loc. Puolo) - Tel. 081.808.32.12, 333.522.764.5

“**Villa Anna**” ★★★★★ (16 flatlets),
via Calata di Puolo, 18 - Tel. 081.533.98.00,
fax 533.99.54; info@villaannaresidencehotel.com -
www.villaannaresidencehotel.com

“**Villa Antolusa**”, via Tore al Deserto, 3 -
Tel. 081.878.05.41

“**Villa I Due Golfi**”, via Pontone, 10 (loc. Sant’Agata) -
Tel. 335.648.467.8, francescovirzo@tiscali.it

“**Villa Li Galli**”, via Botteghe di Sotto, 3 (loc. Torca) -
Tel/fax 081.878.09.89

“**Villa Persico**”, via dei Campi, 37 (loc. Sant’Agata) -
Tel. 081.808.01.62, fax 533.03.00

“**Villa Rita Apartments**”, via A. Vespucci,
trav priv. v.le Vespoli, 24 (loc. Cantone) -
Tel. 081.807.44.06, 808.04.90, fax 877.41.87;
info@palazzomarziale.com -
www.villaritaapartments.com

“**Villa Romantica**”, via Montecorbo, 1/a
(loc. Montecorbo) - Tel/fax 081.878.93.70

“**Villa Rosanna**”, c.so Sant’Agata, 63
(loc. Sant’Agata) - Tel. 081.878.84.62, fax 878.86.00;
info@villarosanna.it - www.villarosanna.it

“**Villa Sorrentina**”, via Massa Turro, 30 -
Tel. 333.959.094.3

“**Torre Turbolo**” (4 apartments),
via A. Vespucci, 39 (loc. Marina del Cantone) -
Tel. 081.808.10.51, 808.39.80, fax 808.17.06;
info@torreturbolo.com - www.torreturbolo.com

“**Villa Starace**” (3 rooms), via Roncato, 13/b -
Tel/fax 081.808.21.99; info@villastarace.it -
www.villastarace.it

Camping grounds

“**Conca Azzurra**”, via Villazano, 3 - Tel. 081.878.96.66

“**delle Rose**”, via Pontone, 2 - Tel. 081.878.90.89

“**Holiday Village**”, via IV maggio - Tel. 081.878.96.66

“**Villaggio Camping Nettuno**” (60 bungalows),
via A. Vespucci, 39 - Tel. 081.808.10.51;
www.villaggiocamping.it

“**Villa Lubrense**”, via Partenope, 31 -
Tel. 081.533.97.81

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Massa Lubrense -
Tel/fax 081.878.92.95

Moorings reserved for pleasure boats: **Marina del Cantone** (berth with mooring buoy for 200, max boat length 15 m) - Tel. 338.873.751.9 Mr. Salvatore Caputo; **Marina della Lobra** (berth for 200, max boat length 14 m) - Tel. 368.720.074.2 Mr. Liberato Meo; **Marina di Puolo** (berth for 30, max boat length 8 m) - Tel. 081.533.98.10, Mr. Bruno Cinque

Bathing establishments

“**Bagno Pagura**”, via V. Maggio, 2

“**Cala di Puolo**”, via Marina di Puolo, 2 -
Tel. 081.533.97.95

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How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Meta

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples (airport)

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minor - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.532.14.98

Police Station - Tel. 081.808.80.20

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.532.19.19 (Piano di Sorrento)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Elifani, via Cosenza, 2 -
Tel. 081.878.66.05, 808.86.58

Pharmacy Bianchi, c.so Italia, 51 - Tel. 081.878.62.05

Tourism bureaux

For tourist information phone the **Town Hall**,
via Municipio, 7- Tel. 081/532.14.98
and ask for the Trade Office

Travel agencies

"Anely Travel", via Caracciolo, 200 -
Tel. 081.534.22.18, fax 534.19.78;
info@anelytravel.com - www.anelytravel.com

"Bridge Travel", via S. E. De Martino, 4 -
Tel. 081.808.61.78, fax 808.86.60, 808.77.20;
info@bridgetravel.it - www.bridgetravel.it

"Euroclub", via A. Cosenza, 23 -
Tel. 081.532.18.23, fax 532.23.83;
info@euroclubtravel.com -
www.euroclubtravel.com

"Fanrise Travel", via Casa Lauro, 23 -
Tel. 081.532.22.27, fax 532.36.21;
info@fanrisetravel.it

"Giglio Travel", via Cosenza, 155 -
Tel. 081.532.28.10, fax 532.29.04;

info@gigliotravel.com - www.gigliotravel.com

Congress facilities

"Marhotel Alimuri" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 300 seats),
via A. Cosenza, 158 - Tel. 081.532.18.30, fax
532.11.95; www.alimuri.com

Sites and monuments

Basilica of Santa Maria del Lauro (XVIII c.),
above a beautiful stairway, the church shows a
low elegant majolicated cupola and a neoclassical
façade flanked by a powerful bell tower; inside: a
carved wooden door with splendid religious
panels (XVI c.), a marble pulpit (XIX c.);
extraordinary inlaid wooden statues and
wardrobes (XVIII c.).

Church of Madonna delle Grazie
(Via Rivolo)

Chapel of Santa Maria delle Vittorie (Casa Starita)

Church of Santa Maria Assunta ad Alberi (Alberi)

Church of Santi Angeli Custodi (Via Municipio)

Nature and surroundings

"Citrus Garden", historic citrus orchard, a splendid
stage for events and gatherings.

Via Grotelle, a long, atmospheric, and panoramic
pathway that climbs from Casa Starita to Aròla
(Vico Equense).

Excursion to Alberi (295 m)



Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); dairy products and cheese; fruit: citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP), walnuts; confectionery

The tastes of the Coast:

"**L'Agumeto**" (oil, wine, fruit, wazlnuts),
via T. Astarita, 45 - Tel. 081.878.84.37

"**Spendibene**", via Caracciolo, 71 -
Tel. 081.808.82.31

Dairy products & cheese:

"**Perrusio**", vico III Santo Stefano, 7 -
Tel. 081.532.19.94, 878.79.58

"**Terra delle Sirene**", via del Lauro, 28 -
Tel. 081.878.79.49, 532.38.24

Sweets:

"**Romano**", c.so Italia, 35/37 -
Tel. 081.878.62.27

"**Antonietta**", via Santa Lucia, 1 - Tel. 081.532.16.00

"**Caracciolo**", via Caracciolo, 34 - Tel. 081.878.63.29

"**Mastellone**", p.za Vittorio Veneto, 15 -
Tel. 081.878.65.88

Handicraft

Woodwork and inlay work:

"**D'Avanzo Antonino**", via del Lauro, 7 -
Tel. 081.532.24.75

Events

"**Green Meta**", (in the Citrus Garden)
March 23rd-25th exhibition and sale of unusual
plants and typical local products.

"**Pizza Festival**", mid July

"**Processions of the Incappucciati, or Hooded
People**", Good Friday, starting and finishing at the
Basilica: "Procession of the Addolorata" in the
night (2.00), "Procession of the Dead Christ"
(19.00).

"**The Way of the Cross**", Monday before Easter this
historic pageant of the Passion, held every two
years, involves the whole town.

"**Festival of Santa Maria del Lauro**", September 12th :
religious celebrations, market stalls, music and a
firework display over the sea.

"**Autumn Festival**" (Casa Starita), 2nd weekend of
October: an exhibition and market of typical craft
and agricultural products.

Hotels

"**Marhotel Alimuri**" ★★★★★ (85 rooms),
via A. Cosenza, 170 - Tel. 081.532.18.30,
fax 532.11.95; info@alimuri.com -
www.alimuri.com
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔ ☕

"**Panorama Palace Hotel**" ★★★★★ (82 rooms),
p.za Scarpati, 1 - Tel. 081.808.65.20, fax
532.25.51; info@hotelpanoramapalace.it -



www.hotelpanoramapalace.it



"Giosuè a Mare" ★★ (27 rooms), via A. Caruso, 2 -
Tel. 081.878.66.85, fax 532.34.50;
www.giosueamare.it



Restaurants

"da Gildo", c.so Italia, 23 - Tel. 081.878.61.30

"Giosuè a Mare", via A. Caruso, 2 -
Tel. 081.878.66.85

"Golden Beach", I trav. Alimuri - Tel. 081.532.26.07

"Grillerie del Casale", via Vocale, 35 -
Tel. 081.878.77.22

"La Conca di Alimuri", via A. Cosenza, 128 -
Tel. 081.532.14.95

"L'Agrometo", via T. Astarita, 45 - Tel. 081.878.84.37

"La Tavernetta", via A. Cosenza, 56 -
Tel. 081.534.21.31

"Laura", via A. Cosenza, 145 -
Tel. 081.532.15.93, 532.12.25

"Lido Marinella", via A. Caruso, beach of Meta -
Tel. 081.532.20.30

"Marhotel Alimuri", via A. Cosenza, 158 -
Tel. 081.532.18.30

"Ninuccio", via Casa laccharino, 31 -
Tel. 081.532.14.36

"Panorama", p.za Scarpati -
Tel. 081.808.65.20

"Tico Tico", via A. Caruso, 3 - Tel. 081.532.18.37

Room rental

"La Penisola Sorrentina" resort (4 rooms), via
Municipio, 46 - Tel/fax 081.808.83.65;
info@lapenisolasorrentina.it -
www.lapenisolasorrentina.it

"Orchid Corner" (4 rooms), via E. De Martino, 35 -
Tel/fax 081.808.70.85; romanofamily4@tin.it -
www.orchidcorner.net

"Palazzo Carolina" (4 rooms), via C. Colombo, 95 -
Tel. 081.808.66.94; gymmyfit@alice.it

B&B

"B&B Relax" (2 rooms), vico I Santo Stefano, 9 -
Tel. 081.532.16.88; www.bbrelax.it

"Casa Maresca" (2 rooms), vico I Scarpati, 17 -
Tel. 081.532.24.82

"Casa Sorrentino" (1 room), via A. Cosenza, 37 -
Tel. 081.878.79.02; casasorrentino@sorrentotour.it -
www.bbcasasorrentino.it

"La Gallina Felice" (2 rooms), via Caracciolo, 11 -
Tel. 081.808.60.74; info@lagallinafelice.com -
www.lagallinafelice.com

"La Mansardina" (2 rooms), via T. Astarita, 54 -
Tel. 081.532.21.53, fax 878.64.48; info-
stefania@libero.it

"Le Camelie" (2 rooms) via C. Colombo, 189 -
Tel. 081.878.85.59, 349.120.790.0;
www.lecamelie.info

"Palazzo Cafiero" (1 room), via dei Cafiero, 2 -
Tel. 081.532.24.25

"Terra delle Sirene" (1 flatlet), via Rivolo, 4 -
Tel/fax 081.534.21.04, 333.632.875.8;
terradellesirene@libero.it - www.terrasirene.it

"Villa Pollio", via G. Marconi, 6 -
Tel/fax 081.878.64.43, 333.980.228.0;
www.villapollio.it

Holiday apartments

"Buffolino" (2 rooms), via Cavataccio, 1 -
Tel. 081.534.23.99

"Villino Castellano", via del Lauro, 45 -
Tel/fax 081.878.84.97, 335.666.382.5;
castellano@tiscali.it - www.villinocastellano.it

Agritourisms

"Barone", via Trarivi, 22 - Tel. 081.532.21.78

"La Pergola" (4 apartments), via T. Astarita, 80 -
Tel. 081.808.32.40

Camping and villages

"Blue Village" ★★ (153 rooms),
via Gradini di Alimuri - Tel. 081.878.65.57

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Vico Equense -
Tel. 081.801.54.45

Marina di Meta (berth for 30, max boat length 6 m)

Bathing establishments

"Bagni Alimuri", Marina di Alimuri -
Tel. 081.523.18.30

"Golden Beach", I trav. Alimuri -
Tel. 081.532.26.07

"Lido Marinella", via Caruso - Tel. 081.532.20.30

"Lido Resegone", via Caruso

"Lido Metamare", via Caruso

"Bagni La Conca", III trav. Alimuri

PIANO DI SORRENTO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento. Follow the signs to Vico Equense - Sorrento; then, when you get to Meta, follow the signs to Amalfi - Positano

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Piano di Sorrento

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples (airport)

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.534.44.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.532.14.86

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.532.19.19

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Castellano, c.so Italia, 88 -
Tel. 081.878.66.03

Pharmacy Irolla, via San Michele, 58 -
Tel. 081.878.61.45

Pharmacy Internazionale, c.so Italia, 261 -
Tel. 081.532.16.34

Municipal library - Tel. 081.532.14.79

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' Office, Tel. 347.576.655.1, (President of the Visitors' Office Vincenzo D'Aniello);
presidente@prolocopianodisorrento.it -
info@prolocopianodisorrento.it -
www.prolocopianodisorrento.it

Travel agencies

"Successo Travel", via San Michele, 6 -
Tel/fax 081.534.21.36, info@successotravel.it -
www.successotravel.it

"Successo Travel" (incoming), via dei Platani, 11 -
Tel. 081.808.85.20, fax 808.82.94;
info@successotravel.it - www.successotravel.it

Congress facilities

"Albatros" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 120 seats),
via Madonna di Roselle, 104/108 -
Tel. 081.878.74.17, 808.61.54, fax 808.75.97;
info@hotelalbatrossorrento.com -
www.hotelalbatrossorrento.com

"Antico Parco del Principe" ★★★★★ (1 hall,
40 seats), via San Pietro - Tel/fax 081.533.33.10

"Grand Hotel Nastro Azzurro Resort" ★★★★★
(1 hall, 300 seats), via Nastro Azzurro, 20 -
Tel. 081.533.32.69, fax 533.38.77;
www.nastroazzurroresort.com

Sites and monuments

Villa Fondi. Two stories a sheer drop above the sea, this is an elegant neoclassical building that is considered national heritage. Surrounded by beautiful parkland, it is the location for the "George Vallet" Territorial Archaeological Museum of the Sorrento Peninsula and is now a multifunctional centre and an ideal venue for cultural events and gatherings.

Basilica of San Michele Arcangelo. The church, which according to legend was built on a pagan temple, houses paintings dating back to the XVI and XVII centuries. Named after the Patron Saint of the town, the basilica also houses four marble statues of angels, attributed to the illustrious Gian Lorenzo Bernini.

Church of San Giuseppe e Santa Teresa (XVII c.)

Church of the Holy Annunziata and Congrega

Church of the Misericordia (XVIII c.),
with annexed monastery and charming cloister;
inside: majolicated floor; *Madonna col Bambino e i Santi Agostino e Monica* (*Madonna and Child with Saints Augustine and Monica*) by Giuseppe Bonito (XVIII c.).

Church of the Madonna di Roselle

Papal Basilica of San Michele Arcangelo (XV c.),
inside: gilt coffered ceiling and seven XVI c.
canvases; XVI-XVIII c. paintings; a rich marble
balustrade.

Church of the Holy Trinity (Trinità), inside:
two canvases by Leandro Bassano (1610),

Sant'Andrea and Resurrezione.

In Mortora, the **Roman Villa** (mid XVII c.) is a powerful building with tuff walls that are as robust as those of a tetragonal fortress, and an internal courtyard used by the "service" areas of the time (old kitchens and stone wash tubs). Past the Church of the Assunta (XVI c., the bell tower was built a couple of centuries later), along the Vicoletto di Mortora, there are some fabulous XVII c. farmhouses (from the one belonging to the Russo family, with its carved stone portals and, in the internal courtyard, windows with round arches, to buildings with stone wells and Baroque windows in grey peperino stone, adorned with sculpted dragons and serpents), like the small Contrada San Liborio, with its ancient XVI c. farmhouse. In Contrada Legittimo (or Litemo), stands the Torre di Legittimo, built between the XVI and XVII centuries, probably in defence of Villa Enrichetta, impressive with its majestic archivolt entrance hall, which leads onto a large courtyard, whose naval is a beautiful stone well.

Other villas: Sopramare, Massa, Ciampa, Irbicella (nicknamed Il Beneficio)

For centuries and up to the end of the XIX century, as Piano had no centre, life and the activities of its early communities took place within the network of its hamlets (Cassano, Carotto, Gottola, Savino, San Giovanni, Mortora, Litemo, Sant'Agostino, San Liguoro, Cermenna); this was an aggregation that obviously developed under the influence of power

and authority: a church, a tower, an aristocratic palace. A countryside itinerary through the testimonials of its past could start at the Marina di Cassano, where up to the first half of the XIX century the local shipyard launched sailing ships that ploughed all the seas of the world. An itinerary along the old roads, like the atmospheric Vicoletto di San Giovanni, also known as the "Captains Street", which clearly shows its XVIII c. structure, and some surprises such as a Catalan portal (XV c.) or in the area, the Villa de Stefano (XVIII c.), which, in spite of its state of disrepair, still conveys all its earlier prestige. In Gottola it is the portals (from XVI to XVIII c.) that tell of its very respectable aristocratic past. Notable is the Palazzo Mastellone, completely built in solid, elegant and easy to work peperino stone. Further along, the Basilica di San Michele (XVI c.), built on the ruins of an ancient temple, has a monastery annexed to it. In its chapel lies a magnificent floor in majolica tiles from two centuries ago.

Nature and surroundings

Parco di Villa Fondi (Via Ripa di Cassano, 1 - for information contact the Council, Tel. 081/534.44.11). Opening Hours: from October 15th to April 14th: 14.00-20.00; Saturday and Sunday: 8.00-20.00. From April 15th-October 14th : 8.00-14.00, 16.00-22.00. Closed on Mondays.

The garden of Villa de Sangro di Fondi is divided into due different parts: a smaller one, with a typical layout of flower beds arranged in the English style ;



the other larger one, divided and crossed by large avenues that divided the original green area in four separate parts. In this splendid public park (which houses a mosaic Roman nymphaeum from Marina della Lobra), overlooking Marina di Cassano from a giddy 50 m sheer drop, as many as 250 arboreal essences are grown, above all olive trees and tropical and subtropical plants, following a type of exotic style of the mid XIX c..

Excursions: from the Colli di San Pietro to the Monte Vico Alvano (642 m), with breathtaking views and an explosion of luxuriant flora; along the road (at Mòrtora) the little local church boasts paintings of Andrea Malinconico (XVII c.); to the Church of the Holy Trinity; at Monte Sant'Angelo di Meta (435 m): panorama and ruins of the chapel dedicated to Michael the Archangel.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); dairy products and cheese; fruit; citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP); fish; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives

Oil:

"L'Olivara", via Galatea, 16 -
Tel. 081.808.37.42

"Villa Cafiero" - Tel. 081.808.33.41

Wine:

"Cantine Stinca", via Mortora San Liborio, 55 -
Tel/fax 081.532.10.86; cantinestinca@libero.it -
www.cantinestinca.com

"Fratelli Damiani", c.so Italia, 219 -
Tel. 081.878.66.46

The tastes of the Coast:

"Casanocillo", via Casanocillo, 10 -
Tel. 081.808.38.33

"Galatea", via Galatea, 11 - Tel. 081.808.35.32

"Piccolo Paradiso", via Nastro Azzurro, 19 -
Tel. 081.808.38.69

Distillates:

"Cassano 1875", via Marina di Cassano, 40 -
Tel. 081.532.34.89

"Ferraoli Vittoria", c.so Italia, 237 -
Tel. 081.532.33.06

"Liquori Santa Teresa", via G. Maresca, 19 -
Tel. 081.532.13.34

"Sorrento Delizie", via dei Platani, 13 -
Tel. 081.808.73.90

"Villa Cafiero" - Tel. 081.808.33.41;
www.villacafiero.it

"Villa Massa", via Mortora - Tel. 800.989.894,
fax 081.750.61.99; servizioclienti@villamassa.com -
www.villamassa.it

Delicatessen:

"Pinto Giovanni", via Legittimo, 12 -
Tel. 081.808.79.38

"Pollio Bernardo", via delle Rose, 61 -
Tel. 081.878.80.78

"Starace Raffaele", p.za Cota, 6 - Tel. 081.878.60.24

Dairy products & cheese:



"Gargiulo Cristina", via delle Rose, 99 -
Tel. 081.532.25.85

"Michelangelo", via delle Rose -
Tel. 081.532.25.85

Sweets:

"Casa del Dolce", p.za Cota, 19 - Tel. 081.878.80.38

"delle Rose", p.za Turistica delle Rose -
Tel. 081.878.72.72

"Di Russo Luigi", via Mortora, 15 -
Tel. 081.532.34.79

"La Dolce Vita", c.so Italia, 131 - Tel. 081.878.71.00

"La Scala", c.so Italia, 78 - Tel. 081.532.14.75

"Le Tre Arcate", p.za Cota, 11/12 - Tel. 081.532.34.41

"Nuccio", c.so Italia, 45/b - Tel. 081.808.89.56

"Zazà", via Artemano, 5 - Tel. 081.808.35.12

Handicraft

Woodwork and inlay work:

"Ar-Gi", via Bagnulo, 4/6 -
Tel. 081.878.62.84, 532.35.40

"Donato & Maresca", via Maresca, 52 -
Tel. 081.808.71.35

Wrought iron:

"Cocorullo Giuseppe", via Meta - Amalfi, 4 -
Tel. 081.808.34.91

Events

Holy Week Rites: "Representation of the Passion",
Wednesday of Holy Week; "Procession in Coena
Domini", Maundy Thursday; "Red Procession",
Maundy Thursday; "Procession to visit the Altars of
Repose", Good Friday; "Procession of the Dead
Christ" (Largo dell'Annunziata, Church of the Holy
Trinity), Good Friday; "White Procession", White
Procession; (www.processioni.com)

"Classical Music Review", May

"Some Like it in Piano", July - August

"Christmas in Piano", December

Typical markets

"Market of souvenirs" (p.za Mercato), first Saturday
of the month

Fruit and vegetables market, even days

Museums

**"Georges Vallet" Archaeological Museum of the
Sorrento Peninsula**, (at Villa Fondi, Via Ripa di
Cassano, 1 - Tel. 081/534.10.50, 808.70.78).
Opening Hours: 9.00-18.00 daily, except for
Mondays and national holidays. Admission is free.
The museum exhibits sculptures and architectural

decorations from prehistoric ages to Roman
times. Noteworthy are two marble heads, glass
containers for balms and perfumes and terracotta
the vases with red figures. The rooms of the villa
contain illustrations of the prehistoric age, with
caves and settlements, as well as information and
finds from the digs in the area of Trinità (this is
where a settlement from the II millennium B.C.
was found; examples of archaic sculpture and
architecture, Doric tuff capitals, archaic and
Classical necropolises from the surrounding
areas, with various tomb furnishings relating to
them; objects found in the digs of ancient
Sorrento and its necropolises; the extraordinary
reconstructions in scale of Villa of Pollius Felix;
the archaeological remains of the Villa at Capo di
Massa (Villazzano), an the colossal marble statue
found in Sorrento in 1971 of a female figure
probably from the Imperial age.

Hotels

"Albatros" ★★★★★ (50 rooms),
via Madonna di Roselle, 104/108 -
Tel. 081.878.74.17, 808.61.54, fax 808.75.97;
info@hotelalbatrossorrento.com -
www.hotelalbatrossorrento.com
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"Antico Parco del Principe" ★★★★★ (15 rooms),
via San Pietro, 8 - Tel/fax 081.533.33.10;
info@parcodelprincipe.info -
www.parcodelprincipe.info
Ⓣ Ⓟ Ⓡ Ⓢ Ⓣ

"Grand Hotel Nastro Azzurro Resort" ★★★★★
(123 rooms), via Nastro Azzurro, 20 -
Tel. 081.533.32.69, fax 533.38.77;
info@nastroazzurroresort.com -
www.nastroazzurroresort.com
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"Occhio Marino" ★★★★★ (40 rooms), via Nastro
Azzurro, 22 - Tel. 081.533.32.69, fax 533.38.77;
www.gigliogroup.com
Ⓣ Ⓟ Ⓡ Ⓢ Ⓣ

"Klein Wien" ★★★ (43 rooms), via Ripa di Cassano, 43 -
Tel. 081.878.67.46, fax 878.88.57;
info@kleinwien.it - www.kleinwien.it
Ⓣ Ⓟ

"La Ripetta" ★★★ (27 rooms), via Ripa di Cassano, 4 -
Tel. 081.532.13.36, fax 808.87.44;
info@laripettahotel.it - www.laripettahotel.it
Ⓣ Ⓟ

"Soleluna" ★★★ (8 rooms), via Madonna di Rosella, 29 -
Tel. 081.532.31.59, fax 878.87.66;
info@hotelsoleluna.it - www.hotelsoleluna.it
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Restaurants

- "7 Bello"**, via Bagnulo, 79 - Tel. 081.532.19.24
- "Antico Parco del Principe"**, via San Pietro - Tel. 081.533.33.10
- "Acqua Pazza"**, via Marina di Cassano, 7 - Tel. 081.808.84.23
- "Antico Parco del Principe"**, via Cermenna, 14 - Tel. 081.533.30.32
- "Arcadia"**, c.so Italia, 177 - Tel. 081.878.70.76
- "Betania"**, vico Mortora, 31 - Tel. 081.808.76.93
- "Casanocillo"**, via Casanocillo, 10 - Tel. 081.808.38.33
- "El Condor"**, via delle Rose, 103 - Tel. 081.532.17.10
- "Il Chiosco"**, via delle Rose, 76 - Tel. 081.532.30.69
- "Il Terrazzino"**, via S. Massimo, 6 - Tel. 081.808.33.80
- "I Pini"**, c.so Italia, 242 - Tel. 081.878.68.91
- "Klein Wien"**, via Ripa di Cassano, 43 - Tel. 081.878.67.46
- "L'Abbazia"**, via Nastro Azzurro, 1 - Tel. 081.808.36.14
- "L'Approdo"**, via Marina di Cassano, 16 - Tel. 081.808.67.22
- "La Ripetta"**, via Ripa di Cassano, 4 - Tel. 081.532.13.36
- "La Rosa"**, via Nastro Azzurro, 28 - Tel. 081.808.35.56
- "Le Tre Arcate"**, p.za Cota, 10 - Tel. 081.532.18.49
- "Silenzio Cantatore"**, via Meta - Amalfi, 101 (loc. Colli San Pietro) - Tel. 081.808.32.80, 533.32.32
- "Tete à Tete"**, c.so Italia, 185 - Tel. 081.808.71.14
- "Torna a Surriento"**, c.so Italia, 242 - Tel. 081.878.74.23
- "Zio Sam"**, via Caposcannato, 1 - Tel. 081.808.37.02

Room rental

- "Relais Francesca"** (5 rooms), via Bagnulo, 129 - Tel/fax 081.534.11.16; info@relaisfrancesca.com - www.relaisfrancesca.com

B&B

- "Bed and Lemons"** (2 rooms), via San Liborio, 11 - Tel. 081.533.30.56; info@bedandlemons.it - www.bedandlemons.it
- "Belvedere"** (3 rooms), via Nastro Azzurro, 5 - Tel/fax 081.808.35.67; info@agriturismo-belvedere.com
- "Casa Gargiulo"** (1 apartment), I trav. Sant'Andrea, 3 - Tel. 081.532.12.43; info@casagargiulo.com - www.casagargiulo.com
- "Gus"** (3 rooms), via F. S. Ciampa, 10 - Tel. 081.534.22.27; info@penisolainn.com - www.penisolainn.com

"I Colli" (3 rooms), via Pontecorvo, 68 - Tel. 081.808.34.54; salpon62@libero.it - www.caseincostiera.it

"I Gerani" (2 rooms), via Meta Amalfi, 100 - Tel. 081.808.35.77

"Il Platano" (3 rooms), via dei Platani, 24/b (int. 7) - Tel. 081.878.70.39, 368.232.479; luigicat2001@yahoo.it

"L'Approdo" (3 rooms), via Marina di Cassano, 16 - Tel. 081.808.67.22, fax 802.45.59

"La Conchiglia" (2 rooms), via San Vito, 18 - Tel/fax 081.878.67.92

"La Maison de Titty" (2 rooms), via Legittimo, 38 - Tel. 081.532.13.79

"Maresca Giuseppina" (2 rooms), via Santa Margherita, 37 - Tel/fax 081.878.72.35

"Maria Grazia" (2 rooms), c.so Italia, 124 - Tel. 081.534.22.72; marco.cocurullo@tiscali.it

"Ponti Anna" (3 rooms), via Marina di Cassano, 16 - Tel/fax 081.808.67.22

"Villa Auxiliadora" (2 rooms), via Colli di Fontanelle, 7 - Tel. 081.533.31.62; villa.auxiliadora@libero.it

"Villa degli Aranci" (2 rooms), via Corbo, 3 - Tel. 081.878.85.75, fax 878.85.73; info@villadegliaranci.it - www.villadegliaranci.it

"Villa Elsa" (3 rooms), via Madonna di Roselle, 30 - Tel. 081.808.62.72; www.villaelsasorrento.com

"Villa Maresca" (3 rooms), Il trav. Sant'Andrea, 8 - Tel/fax 081.808.75.99; villamaresca@tiscali.it - www.villamaresca.com

"Villa Maria Rosa" (3 rooms), via Casa Rosa, 61 - Tel. 081.878.62.71, fax 532.39.04; ycn@libero.it

"Villa Romano" (3 rooms), via Mortora, 41 - Tel. 06.3326.69.39, fax 06.9725.28.54, 081.808.66.54; paoloromano@fastwebnet.it

"Ville Vieille" (3 rooms), via Meta - Amalfi, 80 - Tel/fax 081.533.34.81; info@villevieille.it - www.villevieille.it.

Holiday apartments

"L'Incanto" (11 rooms), via Cermenna, 37/45 - Tel/fax 081.533.34.48, 339.415.771.4; info@residencelincanto.com - www.residencelincanto.com

"Stella Marina Resort" (3 rooms), via Ripa di Cassano, 12 - Tel. 349.218.121.6; info@stellamarinaresort.com - www.stellamarinaresort.com

"Villa Jacono" (4 rooms), via Meta - Amalfi, 81 - Tel/fax 081.534.22.27, 339.887.928.0; info@penisolainn.com

Villages and camping

"Bluegreen", via Madonna di Roselle, 52 -
Tel. 081.878.85.86, fax 878.86.49;
info@bluegreenvillage.com -
www.bluegreenvillage.com

"Costa Alta", via Madonna di Roselle, 20 -
Tel. 081.532.18.32, fax 878.83.68

"Fiori d'Arancio", via Cavone, 77 -
Tel. 081.532.18.27, fax 532.12.92

"I Pini", c.so Italia, 242 - Tel. 081.878.68.91

"Riposo", via Cassano, 12 - Tel. 081.878.73.74

"Sea Mare", via Meta - Amalfi, 101
(loc. Colli San Pietro) - Tel. 081.808.32.80

Agritourisms

"Casanocillo" (6 rooms), via Casanocillo, 10 -
Tel/fax 081.808.38.33, 338.624.471.5;
casanocillo@katamail.com - www.casanocillo.net

"Galatea" (4 rooms), via Galatea, 11 -
Tel. 081.808.35.32, fax 533.39.14;
info@agriturismogalatea.com -
www.agriturismogalatea.com

"L'Olivara" (2 rooms), via Galatea, 16 -
Tel/fax 081.808.37.42; aganto1@libero.it -
www.olivarasorrento.it

"Piccolo Paradiso" (2 rooms), via Nastro Azzurro, 19 -
Tel. 081.808.38.69, fax 808.38.09;
info@piccoloparadiso.net -
www.piccoloparadiso.net

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Piano di Sorrento -
Tel/fax 081.878.83.39

Moorings reserved for pleasure boats: **Marina di Cassano** (berth for 200, max boat length 25 m) -
Tel. 360.414.905 (Pres. Vincenzo Cosenza)

Bathing establishments

"Bagni Rosita", via Marina di Cassano -
Tel. 081.532.19.31

"Bagni Tina", via Marina di Cassano, 7 -
Tel. 081.808.76.37

"La Scogliera", via Marina di Cassano -
Tel. 360.41.49.05

PIMONTE

How to get there

By car

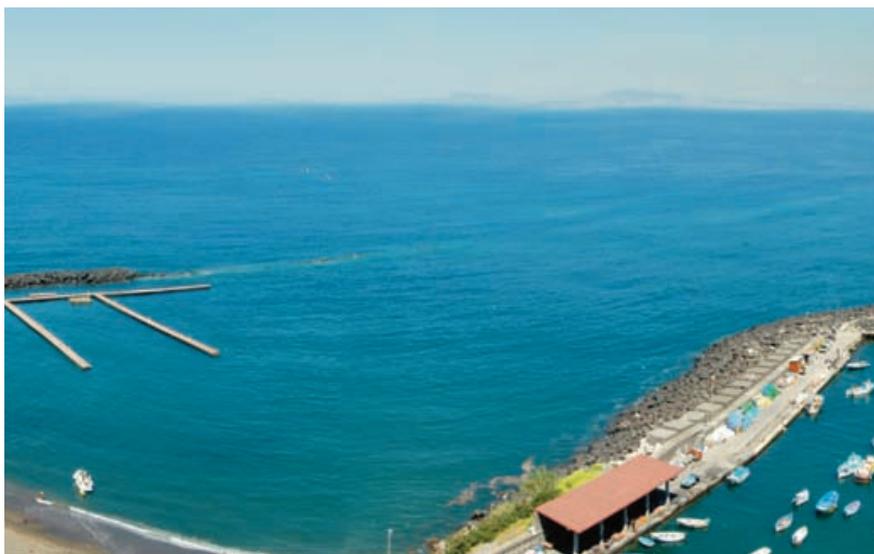
Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 366 to Pimonte - Agerola

By train

Railway, stations of Castellammare di Stabia and Gragnano

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples



Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.390.99.08

Police Station - Tel. 081.390.99.01, 390.99.28, 390.99.29

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.879.20.23

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Celoro, via Casa Cuomo Piazza, 2/4 - Tel. 081.879.20.50

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' Office, p.za Roma, 20 - (President of the Visitors' Office Carmine Longobardi) Tel. 081/879.25.50

Travel agencies

"Ganimede Viaggi", via Resicco, 11 - Tel. 081.879.20.76, fax 879.27.80

Congress facilities

"Sant'Angelo" (2 halls, 300 seats), via Resicco, 7 - Tel. 081.879.20.76, fax 874.92.35; www.hotel-santangelo.biz

Sites and monuments

Castle of Quisisana

Pino Castle

Church of San Michele Arcangelo, inside:
Madonna col Bambino e con gli Angeli (Madonna and

Child with the Angels) by Protasio Crivelli (1504)

Old Monastery of Monte Pendolo

Nature and surroundings

Climbs: to Monte Pendolo; the route of the "Tese" towards the luxuriant Monte Faito.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; beans, fiaschella tomatoes; fruit: apples, cherries, peaches, chestnuts ("Primitiva del Faito" DOP), walnuts; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives. Flowers

Oil:

"Donnarumma Tommaso" (DOP oil), via Muriscolo, 9 - Tel. 081.874.92.81

"Frantoio Cuomo", via Casa Cuomo

"Frantoio Romano", via Resicco

Wines:

"Donnarumma Tommaso" (DOC grapes), via Muriscolo, 9 - Tel. 081.874.92.81

"Vini Iovine", via Nazionale, 23 - Tel. 081.879.21.23, fax 874.90.43; iovinevini@tin.it

Fruit and vegetables:

"Donnarumma Tommaso" (beans, tomatoes, chestnuts: "Primitiva del Faito" DOP), via Muriscolo, 9 - Tel. 081.874.92.81



Bread, biscuits, taralli:

"**Panificio Somma**", via Riatiello

Dairy products & cheese:

"**Antico Caseificio Parlato**", via Piana, 53 -
Tel. 081.879.20.72

"**Gargiulo Vincenzo**", via Tralia

"**Latticini Amodio**", via Nazionale

Delicatessen:

"**Di Martino Luigi**", via Casa Cuomo, 8 -
Tel. 081.879.21.33

Meat:

"**Apuzzo Ernesto**" (local swine), via Muriscolo

Sweets:

"**Abagnale Rosa**", via Nazionale, 32 -
Tel. 081.879.29.29

"**Durazzo Andrea**", via Canti, 4 - Tel. 081.874.91.11

"**Palumbo Pietro**", p.za Roma, 32 -
Tel. 081.879.28.63

Flowers:

Nursery "**Cuomo Gennaro**", via Canti

Handicraft*Wrought iron:*

"**Gargiulo Giovanni**"

Glass:

"**Gargiulo Gennaro**"

Woodwork:

"**Amodio**", via Resicco

"**Fratelli Gargiulo**", via Madonnina

"**Fratelli Somma**"

"**Malafrente**", via Chiesa Piazza

"**Scala Domenico**", loc. Tralia

Events

"**Parade of Allegorical Floats**", Carnival

"**Spring in Pimonte**": "**Spring in Pimonte**:
Extemporaneous Painting Contest"
(every two years), May

"**Summer in Pimonte**", Festival of typical products
with stands for tasting, al fresco tables, music and
performances.

"**Living Crib**", December

Typical markets

"**Spina Santa, market fair of animals**", May

Hotels

"**Montuori**" ★★★ (28 rooms), via Piano, 3 -

Tel. 081.879.20.02, fax 879.26.24;
hotelmontuori@libero.it - www.hotelmontuori.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"**Sant'Angelo**" ★★★ (64 rooms), via Resicco, 7 -
Tel. 081.879.20.76, fax 874.92.35; info@hotel-
santangelo.biz - www.hotel-santangelo.biz
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

Restaurants

"**Al Cavalluccio Marino**", via Nazionale, 14 -
Tel. 081.879.20.19

"**da Silvia**", via Nuova Tralia, 70 - Tel. 081.874.91.40

"**delle Rose**", via Nazionale, 33 -
Tel. 081.879.25.74, 874.92.20

"**F.lli Del Sorbo**", via Nazionale, 63 -
Tel. 081.879.24.03

"**Franceschiello**", via Rivozza, 5 - Tel. 081.874.90.99

"**Il Boschetto**", via Nazionale, 48 - Tel. 081.879.23.27

"**Il Trifoglio**", via Piano, 3 - Tel. 081.879.21.38

"**La Taverna del Brigante**", loc. Grisone, 31 -
Tel. 081.879.29.28

"**Lo Scoiattolo**", via Santo Spirito, 1 -
Tel. 081.879.26.74

"**Montuori**", via Piano, 3 - Tel. 081.879.20.02

"**Sant'Angelo**", via Resicco, 7 - Tel. 081.879.20.76

"**San Michele**", via Piano, 15 -
Tel. 081.879.20.86, 874.93.22

Agritourisms

"**La Casa del Ghiro**" (11 rooms), educational farm,
via San Nicola, 15 - Tel. 081.874.92.41,
fax 874.99.07; ghiro@agriturismo.campania.it -
www.agriturismo.campania.it

SANT'AGNELLO**How to get there***By car*

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di
Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of
Sant'Angello

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Rome

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the

Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.533.21.11

Police Station - Tel. 081. 533.22.05, 533.22.06

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.878.10.10, 807.31.11 (Sorrento)

Civil Protection - Tel. 081. 808.65.22

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Municipal library - Tel. 081.878.13.58

Pharmacy Leogrande Palagianò, c.so Italia, 31/35 - Tel. 081 807.11.37, 878.14.64, 807.50.63

Pharmacy Palagianò, via San Sergio, 11 - Tel. 081.878.65.22, 808.87.66

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, via L. De Maio, 35 - Tel. 081.807.40.33

Travel agencies

"Aponte Viaggi", via don Minzoni, 1/3 - Tel. 081.878.18.68, fax 878.37.78; info@aponteviaggi - www.aponteviaggi.it

"Chrissima Tour", via Maiano, 54 - Tel. 081.877.37.53

"Prinsotel & Travel", c.so Italia, 180 - Tel. 081.807.11.13, fax 807.11.92; info@prinsotel.com - www.prinsotel.com

"Surrentum Travel", via Maianiello, 7 - Tel. 081.877.06.73, fax 877.06.32; info@surrentumtravel.it - www.surrentumtravel.it

"Vesuvio Express", via dei Gerani, 1 - Tel. 081.878.26.44, fax 807.15.23; info@vesuvioexpress.com - www.vesuvioexpress.com

Congress facilities

"Cocumella" ★★★★★ (5 halls, 500 seats), via Cocumella, 7 - Tel. 081.878.29.33, fax 878.37.12; www.cocumella.com

"Grand Hotel La Pace" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 350 seats), via Tordara, 10 - Tel. 081.807.47.75, fax 807.40.66; www.ghlapace.com

"Alpha" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 90 seats), v.le dei Pini, 14 - Tel. 081.878.20.33, fax 878.56.12; www.hotel-alpha.it

"Corallo" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 150 seats), rione Cappuccini, 12 - Tel. 081.807.33.55, fax 807.44.07; www.hotelcorallosorrento.com

"Cristina" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats), via priv. Rubinacci, 6 - Tel. 081.878.35.62, 807.42.44, fax 878.13.72; www.colonnahotels.com

"Majestic Palace" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 300 seats), c.so M. Crawford, 40 - Tel. 081.807.20.50, fax 877.25.06; www.majesticpalace.it

"Mediterraneo" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 120 seats), c.so M. Crawford, 85 - Tel. 081.807.30.70, 878.13.52, fax 878.15.81; www.mediterraneosorrento.com

"Parco del Sole" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 200 seats), via dei Gerani, 1 - Tel/fax 081.807.36.33; www.gigliohotels.it

Sites and monuments

Church of Sant'Agnes (XVII c.), a Baroque temple at the top of a scenic stairway dedicated to the Patron Saint of this town and protector of women in labour.

Church and Convent of the Capuchins (XVI c.), when this appealing religious complex was built, the place was isolated and inaccessible, and the original chapel dedicated to the Madonna, illuminated by candles, acted as a rustic lighthouse for the boats sailing by. It then received two major alterations: the XVIII century saw the addition of a dormitory, a sacristy and a well-stocked library containing volumes of considerable historical value; in the following century was the turn of the stuccos, the large windows, the organ. Endowed with a rich history of Faith and charity work that is the characteristic of the missionary work of monks all over the world, the tiny church has the statue of St Francis on its top; on the main altar a tabernacle and icon, lateral altars and balustrade made of American cherry wood. Beauty, quiet and peace reign in this place, making it a perfect and a popular place for weddings, as the local social chronicles confirm.

War Memorial (Piazza Matteotti), in the greenery of the public gardens, at the centre of the square, a sculpture by Giovanni Nicolini of an infantryman lying clutching his sword and shield (1924) pays homage to the fallen of First World War.

Villa Crawford, sitting atop the sheer cliff face above

the sea, has breathtaking views over Marinella beach, the bay and the islands. It was an old farmhouse, surrounded by a fabulous garden, transformed into an aristocratic villa, its retaining wall giving it a hint of medieval fortress. It belonged to the American author Francis Marion Crawford, who moved here in 1885. The Villa was later donated to the Istituto di Maria Ausiliatrice, which, following the wishes of its donator, still opens its doors to young people who come here for a few hours of relaxation and prayer.

Tenuta della Cucumella. This was a XVI c. Jesuits' estate (with belvedere terrace and private access to the sea, a church, a citrus grove, orchard and garden). As time went by, after becoming an orphanage and later Nautical School of the Kingdom, it became the oldest and most glorious hotel of Sant'Agello, with illustrious guest, from Lord Byron to the Duke of Wellington.

Nature and surroundings

Excursion to the **Colli di Fontanelle hills** (343 m), with views over the islets of Li Galli and the crystal-clear sea of the Amalfi Coast.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit: citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP); walnuts; spices; meat and fish; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives

The tastes of the Coast

"Cooperativa Solagri", via San Martino, 8 - Tel. 081.877.29.01, fax 877.27.76; info@solagri.it - www.solagri.it (marmalades, oil, lemons)

"Gli Ulivi", via Passarano, 1 - Tel. 081.807.42.03 (lemons; oil; fruit, walnuts, figs; Sorrento tomatoes)

Distillates:

"Contrada Jovis", via Cappuccini, 31 - Tel. 081.878.28.19

"Piemme Prodotti Mediterranei", c.so Italia, 374 - Tel. 081.532.21.99, fax 532.30.43; info@illimoncellodisorrento.com - www.piemme-it.com

"Cooperativa Solagri", via San Martino, 8 - Tel. 081.877.29.01, fax 877.27.76; info@solagri.it - www.solagri.it

Sweets:

"Chiara", via San Giuseppe, 7/9 - Tel. 081.878.55.29

"F.lli De Maio", v.le dei Pini, 4/6/8 - Tel. 081.878.41.54

"Pina", via A. Balsamo, 1 - Tel. 081.878.16.65

"Turist", c.so Italia, 7/8 - Tel. 081.878.24.17

"De Maio Bernardo e Giuseppe", v.le dei Pini, 4/6 - Tel. 081.878.41.54

"La Primizia" - Tel. 081.877.06.70



Delicatessen

“**Del Giudice Ambrogio**”, p.za Giacomo Matteotti, 35 - Tel. 081.878.17.74

“**Ruocco Raffaele**”, v.le don Minzoni, 7 - Tel. 081.878.14.07

Handicraft

Woodwork and inlay work

“**Giotto**”, via Tordara, 15 - Tel. 081.807.25.97

“**Linea Legno**”, via Tordara, 19 - Tel. 081.877.02.03, 877.37.54

“**Pianeta Legno**”, via Cimitero, 8 - Tel. 081.878.26.18

Events

“**Festival of Sant’Antonino Abate**”, Patron Saint of Sorrento, February 14th

Rites of the Holy Week (www.processioni.com): “Procession of the Praying Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane”, Maundy Thursday, organised by the Confraternity Sacro Cuore di Maria e di San Giuseppe; “Procession of the Dead Christ”, at dawn of Good Friday, organised by the Archconfraternity of the Santissimo Sacramento e Natività di Maria Vergine; “Procession of the Dead Christ”, the evening of Good Friday, organised by the Confraternity Monte dei Morti dei Santi Prisco e Agnello.

“**Fontanelle Market Show**” (Colli di Fontanelle), first week in September

“**Festival of Sant’Agnello**”, December 14th.

Typical markets

Weekly market, every Monday

Hotels

“**Cocumella**” ★★★★★ (53 rooms), via Cocumella, 7 - Tel. 081.878.29.33, fax 878.37.12; info@cocumella.com - www.cocumella.com

“**La Pace**” ★★★★★ (111 rooms), via Tordara, 10 - Tel. 081.807.47.75, fax 807.40.66; info@ghlapace.com - www.ghlapace.com

“**Alpha**” ★★★★★ (67 rooms), v.le dei Pini, 14 - Tel. 081.878.20.33, fax 878.56.12; info@hotel-alpha.it - www.hotel-alpha.it

“**Caravel**” ★★★★★ (92 rooms), c.so M. Crawford, 61 - Tel. 081.878.29.55, fax 807.15.57; info@hotelcaravel.com - www.hotelcaravel.com

“**Corallo**” ★★★★★ (56 rooms), rione Cappuccini, 12 - Tel. 081.807.33.55, fax 807.44.07; info@hotelcorallosorrento.com - www.hotelcorallosorrento.com

“**Cristina**” ★★★★★ (41 rooms), via priv. Rubinacci, 6 - Tel. 081.878.35.62, 807.42.44, fax 878.13.72; cristina@colonnahotels.com - www.colonnahotels.com

“**Majestic Palace**” ★★★★★ (96 rooms), c.so M. Crawford, 40 - Tel. 081.807.20.50, fax 877.25.06; info@majesticpalace.it - www.majesticpalace.it

“**Mediterraneo**” ★★★★★ (70 rooms), c.so M. Crawford, 85 - Tel. 081.807.30.70, 878.13.52, fax 878.15.81; info@mediterraneosorrento.com - www.mediterraneosorrento.com

“**Parco del Sole**” ★★★★★ (150 rooms), via dei Gerani, 1 - Tel/fax 081.807.36.33; info@gigliohotels.it - www.gigliohotels.it

“**Villa Garden**” ★★★★★ (19 rooms), via Nuovo Rione Cappuccini, 7 - Tel. 081.878.13.87, fax 878.41.92; info@villagardenhotel.com - www.villagardenhotel.com

“**Club**” ★★★★★ (40 rooms), via Cappuccini, 14 - Tel. 081.878.11.27, fax 532.45.60; info@hotelclubSORrento.com - www.hotelclubSORrento.com

“**Eliseo Park's**” ★★★★★ (42 rooms), via Cocumella, 3 - Tel. 081.878.18.43, 878.18.55, 878.15.01, fax 807.43.53; info@hoteleliseoparks.com - www.hoteleliseoparks.com

“**Florida**” ★★★★★ (35 rooms), vico I Rota, 3 - Tel. 081.878.38.44, 878.26.72, fax 878.10.08; info@htflorida.com - www.htflorida.com

“**La Pergola**” ★★★★★ (30 rooms), vico I Rota, 13 - Tel. 081.878.26.26, fax 878.26.40; info@lapergolahotel.it - www.lapergolahotel.it

“**Londra**” ★★★★★ (46 rooms), via Cocumella, 12 - Tel. 081.532.95.54, fax 877.35.84; www.hotelondra.com

"Villa Margherita" ★★★ (25 rooms),
c.so M. Crawford, 77 - Tel. 081.878.13.81,
fax 878.47.59; info@hotelvillamargherita.it -
www.hotelvillamargherita.it



"Angelina" ★★ (22 rooms), via Cappuccini, 34 -
Tel. 081.878.29.01, fax 807.59.38;
info@hotelangelina.it - www.hotelangelina.it



Restaurants

"Alpha", v.le dei Pini, 14 - Tel. 081.878.20.33

"Caravel", c.so M. Crawford, 61 -
Tel. 081.878.29.55

"Corallo", rione Cappuccini, 12 - Tel. 081.807.33.55

"Crawford", c.so M. Crawford, 8 - Tel. 081.877.26.89

"Cristina", via priv. Rubinacci, 6 -
Tel. 081.878.35.62, 807.42.44 (gluten-free meals)

"da Peppino", via A. Balsamo, 79 -
Tel. 081.807.40.72

"Il Capanno", via M. Crawford, 58 - tel 081.878.24.53

"Il Pozzo dei Rospi", via Pietrapiana Colli Fontanelle, 7 -
Tel. 081.808.34.36

"La Scintilla", via Cocumella, 7 - Tel. 081.878.29.33

"La Pace", via Tordara, 10 - Tel. 081.807.47.75

"Majestic Palace", c.so M. Crawford, 40 -
Tel. 081.807.20.50

"Moonlight", via R. Fiorentino, 3 - Tel. 081.877.22.34

"Stelluccia", via Nastro Azzurro, 26 -
Tel. 081.808.35.25

"Taverna del Buttero", via Nastro Azzurro, 22 -
Tel. 081.808.38.44

Room rental

"Mami Camilla" (10 rooms), via Cocumella, 6 -
Tel. 081.878.20.67, 877.06.67, 877.45.74;
info@mamicamilla.com - www.mamicamilla.com

"Villa Savarese" ★★★★★ (12 rooms),
c.so M. Crawford, 59 - Tel. 081.532.49.20;
info@relaisvillasavarese.com -
www.relaisvillasavarese.com

B&B

"Anna Maria" (1 room), via San Martino, 22/b -
Tel. 081.807.19.39, 347.087.681.5

"Casa di Campagna" (3 rooms), via Galatea, 2 -
Tel. 081.808.34.66; info@casadicampagnabb.com -
www.casadicampagnabb.com

"Casa Susy" (2 rooms), via Cappuccini, 36 -
Tel/fax 081.807.31.88; info@casasusy.it -
www.casasusy.it

"Il Mirto Bianco" (5 rooms), via Ferrella, 3 -
Tel/fax 081.807.31.83; info@ilmirtobianco.it -
www.ilmirtobianco.it

"Il Pino" (3 rooms), v.le dei Pini, 30 -
Tel. 081.878.27.76

"Il Tulipano" (2 rooms), via Nastro Azzurro, 24 -
Tel/fax 081.808.35.85; info@iltulipanosorrento.com -
www.iltulipanosorrento.com

"La Pietra Verde" (4 rooms), via Belvedere, 40/b -
Tel. 081.877.28.38, 338.152.374.1

Religious shelter house

"Congregazione Apostolato Cattolico" (20 rooms),
via Iommella Grande, 120 - Tel. 081.878.64.34

Holiday apartments

"Casa Maresca" (1 apartment), via Maiano, 79 -
Tel/fax 081.807.27.00

"La Marinella Residence" (11 apartments),
via Cappuccini, 93 - Tel/fax 081.877.39.80;
residencelamarinella@libero.it -
www.lamarinellaresidence.com

"Porto Salvo" (19 rooms), via Cappuccini, 11 -
Tel/fax 081.877.48.87; www.domusportosalvo.com

"Villa Flavia" (4 apartments), via Tordara, 23 -
Tel. 081.807.12.65; info@villaflavvia.it - www.villaflavvia.it

Agritourisms

"Gli Ulivi" (2 apartments), via Passarano, 1 -
Tel/fax 081.807.42.03; gli.ulivi@virgilio.it -
www.gliulivitagriturismo.com

"Il Limoneto" (3 rooms), via Occulto, 35 -
Tel. 081.877.13.25

Villages and camping

"Esperidi Resort" (bungalows, chalets, apartments),
v.le dei Pini, 52 - Tel. 081.878.32.55, fax 878.50.22;
info@esperidi.com - www.esperidi.com

Hostels

"Sorrento", via San Vito, 61 - Tel. 081.532.23.70;
info@hostel.it

Harbour & tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Piano di Sorrento -
Tel/fax 081.878.83.39 Nautico Consortium of
Sant'Agnesello - Tel. 081.878.84.36, 333.442.256.5;
www.consorzionautico.it

Moorings reserved for pleasure boats:

Nautical Consortium of Sant'Agnesello
(berth for 188, max boat length 14 m)

Bathing establishments

"La Marinella", p.tta Marinella, 12 -
Tel. 081.807.56.74

SANTA MARIA LA CARITÀ

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Scafati exit, then follow the signs

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station Via Nocera Railway, station of Pompeii

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.391.01.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.874.16.96, 391.02.01

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.879.60.90
(Sant'Antonio Abate)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Matachione, via Petrarò, 42 -
Tel. 081.874.35.10

Pharmacy Iaccarino, via Scafati, 14 -
Tel. 081.874.45.96

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office - via Petrarò, 25 - Tel. 081.802.65.88;

www.prolocosantamarialacharita.it

Travel agencies

"New Coast Tour", via Visitazione, 235 -
Tel. 081.874.49.17, 390.63.92;
agenzianewcoast@yahoo.it

Congress facilities

"Parco Olimpo" ★★★ (1 hall, 120 seats),
via Visitazione, 375 - Tel/fax 081.874.30.00, 874.28.49;
info@hotelolimpo.it - www.hotelolimpo.it

Sites and monuments

Church of Santa Maria la Carità (Piazza Borrelli, XVII c. although it has been altered since); the tuff bell tower next to the façade (three stories and an unusual lowered little cupola) was originally a robust medieval watch tower from the Longobard period.

Church of Madonna delle Grazie (Via Madonna delle Grazie: it housed a *Madonna con Bambino* (*Madonna and Child*) by Botticelli, but because of its current state of disrepair it is waiting to be restored).

Church of Santa Maria del Carmine (XIX c.)

Nature and surroundings

"Masseria Pro Loco" Park (Via Visitazione).
For information and to book, contact the Visitors Office,
Tel. 081/802.65.88; www.prolocosantamarialacharita.it)
Opening Hours: Sunday morning. A green oasis, with typical Mediterranean vegetation, with some donkeys



from Monte Amiata (one of the 5 Italian species at risk of becoming extinct), as well as geese and goats, peacocks and turkeys, chickens and ducks, rabbits and tortoises.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC, "Pompeiano" IGP); bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit: peaches, walnuts; spices; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives. Flowers: Liliun

Wine:

"**Casa Vinicola Fortunato Giorgio**", via Scafati, 130 - Tel. 081.874.15.40

"**Vinicola La Mura**", via Pioppelle, 75 - Tel. 081.874.15.30

"**Vinicola La Mura**", via Petrarò, 129/a - Tel. 081.874.31.99

Salamis:

"**Cascone**", via Motta Carità

"**Martone**", via Scafati

Dairy products & cheese:

"**La Ciliagina**", via Scafati

"**Todisco**", via Polveriera

Sweets:

"**De Luca**", via Motta Baldascini, 184 - Tel. 081.870.30.06

"**La Delizia**", via Madonna delle Grazie, 188 - Tel. 081.872.31.89

"**La Goccia d'Oro**", via Scafati, 110/112 - Tel. 081.874.41.17, 390.62.00

"**Pantaleone**", via Polveriera, 112 - Tel. 081.874.10.84

Handicraft

Earthenware:

"**Colomba Orazio**", via Lattaro, 16 - Tel. 081.874.35.20

Shepherds:

"**Tiziana Sofia D'Auria**", p.za Borrelli

Events

"**Sammaritano July**", June 27th-August 1st: with the tournament of the five districts (Eagle, Dolphin, Butterfly, Sea Horse and Lion) and the following shows: Donkey Palio (together with the Fair "*Le Rægioni dell'Asino*": an inter-regional meeting of Donkeys - Culture - Gastronomy - Performance with the participation of the five

regions protagonists of the donkey world: Campania, Toscana, Sardegna, Sicilia, Apulia), Aubergine Festival, Canorissimamente, Stradarte (Street Art)A jucata ca palla 'e pezze, Tug-of-War, Cooking competition, 'A giostra d'a Cuccagna, Open-Air Cinema (www.prolocosantamariacarla.it; www.lugliosammarritano.it; www.sagradellamelanzana.it; www.paliodelciuccio.it)

Patronal Festival of Santa Maria della Carità,

the celebration is split over two dates: July 2nd, after the procession, social celebrations, stalls, firework displays, shows...; on November 21st, bonfire in Piazza Borrelli, stand for tastings of home-made cakes and chestnuts cooked in different ways.

"**Aubergine Festival**", penultimate week-end in July: 6,000 kg of aubergines for a traditional event, which includes tastings, music and folk shows, in honour of the prince of locally grown vegetables, which arrived here from India and whose origins are lost in the mists of time.

Hotels

"**Parco Olimpo**" ★★★ (19 rooms),

via Visitazione, 375 -

Tel/fax 081.874.30.00, 874.28.49;

info@hotellolimpo.it - www.hotellolimpo.it



Restaurants

"**Al Boccone del Cardinale**", via Cappella dei Bisi - Tel. 081.802.68.84

"**Maibor**", via Petrarò, 60 - Tel. 081.802.68.00

"**Trattoria degli Amici**", via Visitazione, 222 - Tel. 081.870.57.85

SANT'ANTONIO ABATE

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Angri exit, then to the right in the direction of Castellammare di Stabia

By train

Railway, stations of Castellammare di Stabia and Pompeii

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station Via Nocera

Bus service

Daily connections from Naples

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.391.12.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.873.82.92

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.879.60.90

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Municipal library - Tel. 081.738.246

Pharmacy Agraria, via Santa Maria la Carità, 434 -
Tel. 081.874.17.42

Pharmacy del Leone, p.za Vittorio Emanuele II, 2 -
Tel. 081.879.60.95

Pharmacy Fimiani, via Santa Maria la Carità, 447 -
Tel. 081.390.62.53

Pharmacy Russo, via Nocera, 178 -
Tel. 081.879.76.97

Pharmacy Schettino, via Roma, 502 -
Tel. 081.879.60.10

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, via Casa Aniello, 129 -
Tel. 081.873.53.77

Travel agencies

"Coco Bongo Travel", via Roma, 105 -
Tel/fax 081.879.78.70

"Daytour", via D. Alighieri, 4 -
Tel. 081.807.26.22, fax 807.19.80

"Martour Viaggi", via Casa Aniello, 126 -
Tel. 081.390.72.52, 873.85.01

"Sorrisi e Vacanze", via Roma, 105 -
Tel. 081.879.66.79, 873.88.47, 873.88.48, 879.78.70

Congress facilities

"La Sonrisa" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 220 seats),
via Stabia, 500 - Tel/fax 081.874.14.91;
info@lasonrisa.it - www.lasonrisa.it

Sites and monuments

Villa Romana (Casa Salese, visits 8.00-13.30 daily; admittance free. Contact the Castellammare Excavations Office in advance - Tel 081/871.45.41): a rustic villa, buried in the eruption of the Vesuvius of 79 A.D., partly dug up and at present comprising 14 rooms, of which some are service areas and others are residential. Built between the end of the 1 century B.C. and the first half of the 1 century A.D., although only partially recovered, it is one of the most interesting examples of a rustic villa of the *ager stabianus* and the only one that can be visited at present.

Mother Church of Sant'Antonio Abate, dedicated to the Patron of the town, e famous hermit and founder of eastern monasticism.

Church of the Congrega

Sanctuary of San Gerardo Maiella, dedicated to the charismatic Saint from Lucania by the priest Mosè Mascolo and the first nuns of the Order he founded.

Nature and surroundings

Excursion to the **Castle at Lettere**

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola



Sorrentina" DOC); bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit; confectionery. Flowers: Anthurium, Curcuma, Gerbera, Lillium, Limonium, Lisianthus

Wine:

"Fratelli La Mura", via Stabia, 507 -
Tel. 081.874.17.72, 874.14.52

"Poggio delle Baccanti",
via Stabia, 733 - Tel. 081.390.64.30

Fruit and vegetables:

"Coppola Pasquale", via Ponte Vecchio

Preserves:

"Boda", via Santa Maria la Carità

"Europa Conserve", via Casa Attanasio

Dairy products & cheese:

"Fior di Latte", via Marna

"Padovano", via Casa Attanasio

"Saturno", via Stabia - Tel. 081.874.18.92

Salamis:

"Macelleria Coppola", via Santa Maria la Carità

Sweets:

"D'Auria", via Casa d'Antuono, 186 -
Tel. 081.879.77.65

"La Parisienne", via Stabia, 111 - Tel. 081.873.55.05

"Alfano Ciro", via Nocera, 104 - Tel. 081.873.40.68

"Galasso Maria", via De Luca, 21 -
Tel. 081.879.73.36

"Savino", via Stabia, 341 - Tel. 081.873.59.35

"Mena", via Scafati, 125 - Tel. 081.873.52.40

Flowers:

(anthurium) **"Cuomo Patrizio"**,
via Santa Maria la Carità

(curcuma) **"D'Aniello Vincenzo"**, via Canale, 36

(gerbera) **"Coppola Ciro"**, via Pontone Vecchio;

"Fratelli Cannavacciuolo", via Croce Gragnano

(lillium) **"Martone Antonio"**, via Santa Maria la Carità

(limonium) **"Coppola Vincenzo"**, via Stabia, 665

(lisianthus) **"D'Aniello Giuseppe"**,
via Santa Maria la Carità, 135

Events

"Festival of Sant'Antonio Abate", January 17th: a week of events coupled with the trade fair, with music, performances, fireworks, linked with the "Roasted Suckling Pig Festival".

"Abatese Carnival", the Saturday before Carnival and

on Shrove Tuesday, parade of allegorical floats along the streets of the town accompanied by music and merrymaking, and a ballet coupled with each float.

"Summer under the stars", July-August, every week: a packed programme of shows, music and events.

"Pizza Festival", first week in September: tastings and shows surrounding the most famous dish in the world.

Typical markets

"Trade fair", January 17th

Hotels

"La Sonrisa" ★★★★★ (50 rooms),
via Stabia, 500 - Tel/fax 081.874.14.91;
info@lasonrisa.it - www.lasonrisa.it


Restaurants

"La Carmencita", via Stabia, 15 - Tel. 081.879.73.73

"La Costiera", via Sassola, 104 - Tel. 081.874.16.93

"Maristella", via Lettere, 37 -
Tel. 081.879.60.31, 873.57.92

"Somma", via Scafati, 149 - Tel. 081.873.57.43

Pizzeria **"Antiche Tradizioni"**, via Canale, 217 -
Tel. 081.873.57.31

Pizzeria **"da Mascolo"**, via Casa d'Auria, 204 -
Tel. 081.873.85.10

Pizzeria **"Fioravante Due"**, via Roma, 252 -
Tel. 081.873.47.88

Agritourisms

"Poggio delle Baccanti" farm, via Stabia, 733 -
Tel. 081.390.64.30

SORRENTO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, station of Sorrento

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples (airport)

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.533.51.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.807.46.24

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.878.10.10, 807.31.11

Pharmacy Limone, c.so Italia, 35/37 - Tel. 081.878.11.74

Pharmacy Alfani, c.so Italia, 131 - Tel. 081.878.12.26

Pharmacy Farfalla, via L. De Maio, 19 - Tel. 081.878.13.49

Pharmacy Russo, via degli Aranci, 179 - Tel. 081.877.23.10

Municipal library - Tel. 081.533.52.77

Wwf Sorrento Peninsula, via Santa Maria della Pietà, 9 - Tel. 081.807.25.33

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, via L. De Maio, 35 - Tel. 081.807.40.33

Federalberghi Penisola Sorrentina, via San Francesco, 18 - Tel. 081.877.33.33, fax 878.51.69, info@upsa.org - www.upsa.org

Associated Tourism Companies in the Sorrento Peninsula, via Pietà, 9 - Tel. 081.807.44.52, fax 807.44.50

Travel agencies

"ABC Travel", c.so Italia, 269 - Tel. 081.878.28.99, 807.26.88, fax 877.11.24; info@abctravel.it - www.abctravel.it

"Acampora Travel", via del Mare, 22 - tel. 081.532.97.11, fax 081.878.42.53 info@acamporatravel.it - www.acamporatravel.it

"Alviani Viaggi", p.za A. Veniero, 15/16 - Tel. 081.807.30.46, 807.30.46, fax 807.17.91; info@alvianiviaggi.com - www.alvianiviaggi.com

"Aponte Viaggi", via don Minzoni, 243/3 - Tel. 081.878.18.68, fax 878.37.78; info@aponteviaggi - www.aponteviaggi.it

"Agenzia Viaggi Internazionali", via Fuorimura, 20 - Tel. 081.807.01.11, fax 807.19.80; incoming@avitravel.com - www.avitravel.com

"Belmare Travel", v.le Caruso, 6 - Tel. 081.807.28.08, fax 807.26.79; info@belmare-travel.com - www.belmare-travel.com

"Blue Welcome Travel", c.so Italia, 59 - Tel. 081.877.39.50

"Colorviaggi", via Passàno, 25 - Tel. 081.877.35.86; info@colorviaggi.com, reservation@colorviaggi.com - www.colorviaggi.com

"Coltur", c.so Italia, 254/a - Tel. 081.878.29.66, fax 878.34.83; info@coltur.com - www.coltur.com

"Etel Viaggi", via Fuorimura, 29 - Tel. 081.807.43.13

"Executive Travel Service", c.so Italia, 118 - Tel. 081.807.29.12, fax 807.36.35; desk@executivetravel.it - www.executivetravel.it

"Executive Travel Service" (tour operator), via San Francesco 17/a - Tel. 081.532.98.30, fax 807.18.19; info@executivetravel.it - www.executivetravel.it

"Fiorentino Travel", p.za San Antonino, 3/4 - Tel. 081.807.31.07, 807.30.75, fax 877.25.37; info@fiorentinotravel.it - www.fiorentinotravel.it

"Giglio Travel", via B. Rota, 32 - Tel. 081.807.23.41, 878.10.74, fax 877.17.89; info@gigliogroup.com - www.gigliogroup.com

"Global Events", c.so Italia, 286 - Tel. 081.878.42.35, fax 877.05.74; info@sorrentour.it - www.sorrentour.it

"Golden Tours", via degli Aranci, 25/b - Tel. 081.878.10.42, 878.22.06, fax 807.17.45; info@goldentours.it - www.goldentours.it

"Lexa Viaggi", via degli Aranci, 59/a - Tel. 081.878.30.07, fax 807.25.66; info@lexaviaggi.it - www.lexaviaggi.it

"Lubratour", via Fuorimura, 20 - Tel. 081.878.21.50, fax 877.35.34; info@conventionplanning.it - www.conventionplanning.it

"O.V.E.S.T.", v.le Nizza, 16 - Tel. 081.532.96.11, fax 807.23.75; ovest@ovest.com - www.ovest.com

"Ondazzurra Travel", via degli Aranci, 156/a - Tel. 081.877.26.24

"Pangea 2000", via degli Aranci, 11 - Tel. 081.807.27.34, fax 532.92.81; info@pangea2000.it - www.pangea2000.it

"Panorama Travel", v.le Nizza, 46 - Tel. 081.878.25.50, 807.27.22, fax 807.17.44; panoramatravel@inwind.it - www.panoramatravel.com

"Russo Travel", via Capo, 9/a - tel. 081.807.18.45, fax 807.13.67; info@russotravel.it - www.russotravel.it

"Scenic Travel", via Fuorimura, 60/62 - Tel. 081.807.24.33, fax 877.17.55; info@scenictravel.it - www.scenictravel.it

"Seduction Vacanze", c.so Italia, 258 - Tel. 081.807.46.07, fax 807.44.86; info@seduction.it - www.seduction.it

"Sirenide Viaggi", via degli Aranci, 25 - Tel. 081.807.47.11, fax 807.47.03; info@sirenide.com - www.sirenide.com

"Sireon Tours", c.so Italia, 10 - Tel. 081.807.18.65, fax 877.32.42; info@sireontours.com - www.sireontours.com

"Staiano Viaggi", via Capo, 19 - Tel. 081.877.38.60, fax 532.41.75; info@staianoviaggi.com - www.staianoviaggi.com

"Syrene e Sogni" (incoming tour operator), c.so Italia, 260 - Tel. 081.877.46.36; www.syrenesogni.it

"Top Level Travel", via degli Aranci, 67, Tel. 081.877.47.42, fax 877.41.96; info@topeleveltravel.com - www.topeleveltravel.com

Congress facilities

"Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria" ★★★★★ (5 halls, 25 to 70 seats), p.za T. Tasso, 34 - Tel. 081.807.10.44, fax 877.12.06; www.exvitt.it

"Parco dei Principi" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 10 to 350 seats), via B. Rota - Tel. 081.878.46.44,

fax 878.37.86; www.hotelparcoprincipi.com

"Grand Hotel Ambasciatori" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 170 seats), via A. Califano, 18 - Tel. 081.878.20.25, fax 807.10.21; www.manniellohotels.com, www.ambasciatorisorrento.com

"Grand Hotel Capodimonte" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Capo, 15 - Tel. 081.878.45.55, fax 807.11.93; www.manniellohotels.com www.capodimontesorrento.com

"Grand Hotel de la Ville" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via B. Rota, 15 - Tel. 081.878.21.44, fax 877.22.01; www.manniellohotels.com www.delavillesorrento.com

"Grand Hotel President" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 40 seats), via Colle Parisi, 4 - Tel. 081.878.22.62, fax 878.54.11; www.ghpresident.com

"Grand Hotel Royal" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 70 seats), via Correale, 42 - Tel. 081.807.34.34, fax 877.29.05; www.manniellohotels.com

"Antiche Mura" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 52 seats), via Fuorimura, 7 - Tel. 081.807.35.23, fax 807.13.23; www.hotelantichemura.com

"Conca Park" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 300 seats), via degli Aranci, 13/bis - Tel. 081.807.16.21, fax 807.13.65; www.concapark.com

"Europa Palace" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats), via Correale, 34/36 - Tel. 081.807.34.32, fax 807.43.84; info@europapalace.com - www.europapalace.it

"Grand Hotel Cesare Augusto" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 200 seats), via degli Aranci, 108 - Tel. 081.878.27.00,



fax 807.10.29; www.hotelcesareaugusto.com

"Grand Hotel Flora" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 70 seats), c.so Italia, 248 - Tel. 081.878.25.20, fax 807.24.85; info@gandhotelflora.com - www.gandhotelflora.com

"Grand Hotel Riviera" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 400 seats), via A. Califano, 22/a - Tel. 081.807.20.11, fax 877.21.00; www.hotelriviera.com

"Grand Hotel Vesuvio" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 360 seats), via Nastro Verde, 7 - tel. 081.878.26.45, fax 807.11.70; info@vesuviosorrento.com - www.vesuviosorrento.com

"Hilton Sorrento Palace" ★★★★★ (19 halls, 2614 seats), via Sant'Antonio, 13 - Tel. 081.878.41.41, fax 878.39.33; www.sorrento.hilton.com

"Imperial Tramontano" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 140 seats), via Vittorio Veneto, 1 - Tel. 081.878.25.88, fax 807.23.44; www.hoteltramontano.it

"Johanna Park" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats), via Nastro Verde, 25 - Tel. 081.807.24.72, fax 807.37.24; www.johannapark.it

"La Residenza" ★★★★★ (3 hall, 350 seats), via B. Rota - Tel. 081.878.46.44, fax 878.37.86; www.laresidenzasorrento.it

"La Solara Best Western" ★★★★★ (8 halls, 320 seats), via Capo, 118 - Tel. 081.533.80.00, fax 807.15.01; www.lasolara.com

"Michelangelo" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 35 to 100 seats), c.so Italia, 275 - Tel. 081.878.48.44, fax 878.18.16; www.michelangelohotel.it

"Villa Gerardo" ★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats), via Capo, 82/84 - Tel. 081.807.30.63, fax 807.35.77; www.villagerardo.com

Sites and monuments

Sedil Dominova (via San Cesareo), the piperno of the façades, softened by two arches, protects the internal frescos and holds up the original cupola of this Renaissance building, covered in elegant yellow and green majolica *riggiole* (hand-decorated tiles) which represented the centre of the lives of the aristocratic and administrative life of the district.

Casa Correale (c. XIV, Via Pietà) one of the most imposing palazzi of Sorrento, with a splendid depressed arch portal, which enhance a façade elegantly enriched with ornamental double lancet windows with pointed arches in dark tuff and a gorgeous large ogival window.

Palazzo Veniero (c. XIII, Piazza Tasso - Via Pietà) a curious trace of late Byzantine and Arabic taste, all the rage at the time in the South of Italy, with its large arch-shaped windows decorated with strips of

yellow and grey tuff alternating with geometrical patterns of unusual beauty.

Porta di Parsano, opened in 1745 within the old town walls that had defended the town since Greek times.

Porta della Marina Grande (Via Marina Grande), the oldest of Sorrento's gates, up to the XV c. probably the only access to the town from the sea.

Casa di Cornelia Tasso (Via San Nicola), a noble portal with flat ashlar above which sits a heraldic coat of arms leads into the house of the sister of Torquato Tasso, the great poet from Sorrento, who stayed here for some time. His parental home, in Via Vittorio Veneto, is now part of the Imperial Tramontano hotel.

Church of the Servi di Maria (finished in the XVIII c., Via Sersale), splendid Baroque temple, inside it has three venerated wooden statues: a *Cristo Morto* (*Dead Christ*), carried in procession through the streets during the rites of Good Friday, and two XV c. pieces a *Madonna* and a *San Giuseppe* (*St Joseph*).

Cathedral of Santi Filippo e Giacomo (mid XVI c.), inside: XVII c. ceiling painted with floral patterns and an organ with rich gilt carvings, from the same period; in the apse, a XIX c. choir, a masterpiece of the local art of inlay; under the pulpit, a small and significant altar piece by Silvestro Buono (1573), known as *La Vergine tra San Giovanni Battista e san Giovanni Evangelista*; (*The Virgin between St. John the Baptist and St John the Evangelist*); next to the baptismal font, *Sacrificio del Sangue di Cristo* (*Sacrifice of the Blood of Christ*) (1522) and 12 splendid XIV century panels; in the chapel of the Sacrament, on the XVII c. altar, a wooden XV c. Crucifix.

Church of the Addolorata (XVIII c.), a Baroque façade in splendid tuff, inside it 'celebrates' this warm local stone with two unusual altars in the same material; on the altar, a wooden sculpture of the Vergine Addolorata (Our Lady of Sorrows) to whom the temple is dedicated.

Church of the Santissima Annunziata (XVIII c.), behind this elegant façade in tuff, once upon a time there was a pagan temple dedicated to Cibelis. When Christianity took over, the cult of the eastern pagan "Mother of all gods" was exchanged for the Catholic Virgin and Mother. Inside: on the ceiling *Madonna col Bambino* (*Madonna and Child*) handing her sacred belt to St Augustine and St Monica (XVIII c.); a beautiful wooden Crucifix (XVII c.); altar in polychrome marbles with the statue of the *Madonna della Consolazione* (*Mother of*

Consolation) (XVIII c.); numerous XVIII c. canvases; in the sacristy: interesting late XVI c. *Annunciazione*.

Church del Carmine (XVI c., Piazza Tasso) a Baroque temple with one nave, dedicated to the Black Madonna of the Neapolitan church with the same name; inside, XVII and XVIII c. canvases; XVII c. artistic reliquaries in inlaid wood.

Church and Convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie (XVI c., Via Santa Maria delle Grazie), for the nuns of the Dominican Order. Inside, as well as some well executed canvases by painters who worked on the Costiera (Buono, Malinconico, Caracciolo, Corenzio), the following typical elements of a cloistered convent: from the choir to the tribunes on the wooden shutters made to protect the nuns' privacy. The floral majolicated floor is very beautiful, on white worked enamel to give an unusual "glass-effect".

Basilica of Sant'Antonino (Piazza Sant'Antonino), dating back to the High Middle Ages, around the year 1000. There are significant and evident elements "recovered" from other temples or ancient building (for instance, the shafts of Roman-type columns). Inside, a lovely XVIII c. crib; in the crypt, the votive offerings testify to popular religiosity and faith in the Patron Saint.

Church and Cloister of San Francesco (Via San Francesco), originally the convent dates back to the mid VIII c. The architecture of the mystical and

atmospheric Cloister (XVI c.), has crossed arches in tuff on two sides of the portico, while the other two sides have round arches on octagonal pillars, and a harmonious collection of elements from pagan temples, such as the three corner columns. Next to the convent, the (XVI c.) Church houses a XVII c. wooden statue of the Saint from Assisi next to the crucified Christ.

Church and Monastery of San Paolo, a IX c. Benedictine complex, characterised on the outside by a bell tower (with a majolicated cupola) that serves also as a belvedere; inside the church, decorations, stuccos, majolicated floor and XVIII c. paintings.

"Excelsior Vittoria" (Piazza Tasso), built on an ancient Imperial Roman Villa, the hotel is now universally famous among classical music fans because here in 1921 the tenor Enrico Caruso spent the last troubled months of his life. His room, the holy of holies for music lovers and fans (and the inspiration for Lucio Dalla's song "*Caruso*"), is still kept exactly as he left it.

Ruins of Villa Pollio Felice and Baths of Regina Giovanna (Via Capo di Sorrento) are the fascinating remains of a majestic Roman villa, complete with landing stages, terraces and cisterns, which the poet Stazio attributed to Pollius Felix, historian and patron of the Arts, protector of Virgil and Horace. Next to the ruins there is a naturally protected pool of water, a pool created by nature and protected by



a natural arc, an ancient Roman nymphaeum (Baths of Diana). Because of the legends surrounding it, the locals nicknamed it after the exuberant and temperamental noblewoman Giovanna Durazzo d'Angiò.

Nature and surroundings

Vallone dei Mulini (via Fuorimura) a luxuriant place of astounding beauty, a green kingdom where the undisputed rulers are the ferns, some of which are very rare. Its name is due to the old mill, which was used up to the beginning of the XX century, like the adjacent sawmill and a public wash-house, powered by rainwater and spring water running down from the mountain.

Itinerary of the Circompiso leads from the centre of Sorrento towards the village of Santa Lucia, then along a lovely path that climbs through colourful and perfumed citrus orchards and olive groves and reaches Sant'Agata sui due Golfi, that overlooks the whole coast.

Itinerary of the Regina Giovanna (see in "Sites and Monuments" Ruins of Villa Pollio and Baths of Regina Giovanna).

Refuge "Bosco le Tore" (contact the local WWF section, Corso Italia, 67; Tel. 081/807.25.33 - wwfsorrento@libero.it), the oasis is run by the WWF which carries out its many commendable ecological activities here; it suggests two itineraries for visitors: the athletic route (15 legs, each one of which involves an exercise; it originated from the need to offer a reference structure to the many people who use the Wood for physical activities); the educational route (a type of snakes and ladders

aimed at illustrating the main features of the Wood, from the subsoil to the treetops).

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); pasta; bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; tomatoes; fruit: citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP); walnuts; spices; meat and fish; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives

The tastes of the Coast

"Solagri S. C.", via San Martino, 8 -
Tel. 081.877.29.01, fax 877.27.76; info@solagri.it -
www.solagri.it (lemons, marmalades, seasonings: lemon oil and orange oil)

Oil:

Wine shop **"Società Lago"**, via San Cesareo, 89 -
Tel. 081.807.26.96

"Regina Giovanna", via Calata Puolo, 1 -
Tel. 081.533.99.08

Wines, spirits & distillates:

Wine growing and producing farm
"De Angelis Gioacchino & C.", via Marziale, 14 -
Tel. 081.878.16.48, fax 878.53.82;
vinivoladeangelis@hotmail.it

"Bacchus", p.za Sant'Antonino, 20 -
Tel. 081.807.46.10

Wine shop **"Società Lago"**, via San Cesareo, 89 -
Tel. 081.807.26.96

"Fattoria Marecoccola", via Malacoccola, 10 -
Tel. 081.533.01.51



"L'Alambicco", via San Cesareo, 15 -
Tel. 081.807.33.39

"Limoncello di Capri", via Palomba, 6 -
Tel. 081.807.55.74

"Ozio & Figli", via Fuoro, 65 - Tel. 081.807.15.85

"Vision", via Capo, 13/a - Tel. 081.807.39.71

Sweets:

"Franco & Valentino", via degli Aranci, 29 -
Tel. 081.878.30.88

"Pollio", c.so Italia, 172 - Tel. 081.878.21.90

"La Delizia", via Santa Maria delle Grazie, 8 -
Tel. 081.807.10.43

"Mimi", via San Cesareo, 82 - Tel. 081.878.12.94

"Monica", via Fuorimura, 26 - Tel. 081.807.41.47

"Primavera", c.so Italia, 142 - Tel. 081.877.03.85

"Zazà", via degli Aranci, 97 - Tel. 081.808.35.12,
Tel. 878.24.42

"O Funzionista", via San Nicola, 13 -
Tel. 081.807.40.83

"dei Fiori", via degli Aranci, 91 - Tel. 081.807.41.16

"Esposito Vittorio", via degli Aranci, 174 -
Tel. 081.807.26.73

Delicatessen:

"Gargiulo Francesco", via Fuorimura, 48/b -
Tel. 081.878.17.82

"L'Archetto", via Santa Maria delle Grazie, 10 -
Tel. 081.807.43.76

Handicraft

Woodwork and inlay work:

"Alessandro Fiorentino Collection",
at Pomarici Santomasì Palace, via San Nicola, 28 -
Tel. 081.877.19.42;
www.alessandrofiorentinocollection.it

"Donato G. & Maresca L.", via degli Aranci, 95 -
Tel. 081.878.59.45, 878.26.76

"De Nicola Carlo", via T. Tasso, 55 -
Tel. 081.878.10.51

"Esposito Raimondo", vico Santa Lucia, 4 -
Tel. 081.878.41.19

"Maione Francesco", vicolo Il Fuoro, 11 -
Tel. 081.877.15.23

"Notturmo Intarsio Sorrento", via Fuorimura, 33 -
Tel. 081.878.39.36, 878.32.39, 807.11.31

"Paturso Giovanni", via degli Aranci, 59 -
Tel. 081.877.31.10

"Scala Teodoro", via dell'Accademia, 41 -
Tel. 081.807.44.92

"Sorrento Intarsio di Scala & C.", p.za T. Tasso, 35 -
Tel. 081.878.15.22

"Stilnovo Intarsi", via Palomba, 6 -
Tel. 081.807.21.46, 807.22.52

"Stinga Aniello", p.za F. S. Gargiulo, 11 -
Tel. 081.878.42.86

"Tarsia Duemila", via San Nicola, 12 -
Tel. 081.878.14.23

Cribs:

"Marcello Aversa", via Sersale, 3 -
Tel/fax 081.877.15.35; www.presepiaversa.com

Events

Rites of the Holy Week (www.processioni.com):

"White Procession", at dawn of Good Friday,
organized by the Archconfraternity of Santa
Monica; "Black Procession", in the evening of Good
Friday, organized by the Archconfraternity of the
Servi di Maria.

"Sorrento Musical Meetings" (in the Cloister of San
Francesco, the Basilica of Santa'Antonio, and, at
Sant'Agnello, in the Sanctuary of San Giuseppe),
September-October. meetings with music in a town
that has a strong and well-established musical
tradition, with programmes that, year after year,
host national and international artists, sophisticated
presentations of local traditions and ageless
classics.

"Sorrento... and All That Jazz", Jazz concerts,
August-September

"Festival of Performing Arts" at Villa Fiorentino", July

"Festival of Santa Maria del Soccorso", August 5th

"Watermelon Festival", August 15th

"Grapes Festival at Priora", first week in October:
animation and tastings, shows and food stands

"Sorrento Peninsula Poetry Prize", October

"Sausage and Yule Log Festival", (Santa Lucia
district), December 13th (Tel. 081/807.25.90)

"Christmas in Sorrento", December

Typical markets

"Exhibition of old books and prints", April

"Antique trade days", July

Museums

Museum Correale di Terranova, (Via Correale, 48 -
Tel. 081/878.18.46) Opening Hours: from
Wednesday to Monday, 9.30-13.30 Closed on
Tuesday and national holidays. Admission: €6;
concessions €4. An ancient aristocratic villa,
surrounded by a citrus grove; built over 3 storeys,

with 24 rooms containing artistic masterpieces and unique exhibits, a breathtaking belvedere over the bay of Naples. This is the finest provincial museum in the whole of Italy. It houses and enhances the value of Neapolitan paintings of the XVII-XVIII c.; canvases from the "School of Posillipo" and of some Flemish and French masters; porcelains from Capodimonte and Sèvres; lace and miniatures; glass from Murano and crystal from Bohemia; a collection of clocks; a small but significant archaeological connection (with the Artemis on a doe, a Greek original from the IV c.); a considerable collection of XIX c. Sorrento intarsia; a library with precious manuscripts and different editions of the works of the local genius, XVI c. poet Torquato Tasso, whose death mask is kept here.

Museum-Workshop of Wooden Intarsia

at Palazzo Pomarici Santomasì
(Via San Nicola, 28 - Tel. 081/877.19.42)
www.antonellofiorentinocollection.com
Opening Hours: from Monday to Saturday: 10.00-13.30, 15.00-18.00. Sunday visits may be booked.
Admission: €8, reductions for groups (from 25 people up) €5. Admission free for children up to 11 years old. In a splendid VIII c. palazzo, the structure houses a historic collection of XIX c. furniture and objects that sheds light on the technique of inlay and in particular the uniqueness of Sorrento intarsia, through an unusual and educational exhibition layout. The aim of the museum-workshop is to give continuity to this valuable craft, through the design and marketing of a culturally innovative production.

Hotels

- "Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria" ★★★★★**
(98 rooms), p.za T. Tasso, 34 - Tel. 081.807.10.44, fax 877.12.06; exvitt@exvitt.it - www.exvitt.it
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- "Parco dei Principi" ★★★★★** (96 rooms),
via B. Rota - Tel. 081.878.46.44, fax 878.37.86;
info@hotelparcoprincipi.com -
www.hotelparcoprincipi.com
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- "Grand Hotel Ambasciatori" ★★★★★S** (103 rooms),
via A. Califano, 18 - Tel. 081.878.20.25,
fax 807.10.21; ambasciatori@manniellohotels.com -
www.manniellohotels.com,
www.ambasciatorisorrento.com
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- "Grand Hotel Capodimonte" ★★★★★S** (189 rooms),
via Capo, 15 - Tel. 081.878.45.55, fax 807.11.93;
capodimonte@manniellohotels.com -
www.manniellohotels.com
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- "Grand Hotel de la Ville" ★★★★★S** (120 rooms),
via B. Rota, 15 - Tel. 081.878.21.44, fax 877.22.01;
delaville@manniellohotels.com -
www.manniellohotels.com
www.delavillesorrento.com
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- "Grand Hotel President" ★★★★★S** (109 rooms),
via Colle Parisi, 4 - Tel. 081.878.22.62, fax 878.54.11;
president@acampora.it - www.ghpresident.com
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- "Grand Hotel Royal" ★★★★★S** (96 rooms),
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fax 877.29.05; royal@manniellohotels.com -
www.manniellohotels.com
☎ ☑ P ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑
- "Aminta" ★★★★★** (90 rooms), via Nastro Verde, 23 -
Tel. 081.878.18.21, fax 878.18.22; info@aminta.it -
www.aminta.it
☎ P ☑ ☑ ☑
- "Antiche Mura" ★★★★★** (46 rooms), via Fuorimura, 7 -
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info@hotelantichemura.com -
www.hotelantichemura.com
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- "Atlantic Palace" ★★★★★** (95 rooms), via Capo, 76 -
Tel. 081.878.26.88, fax 081.807.31.49;
info@atlanticpalacehotel.com -
www.atlanticsorrento.com
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- "Bel Air" ★★★★★** (49 rooms), via Capo, 29 -
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www.belair.it
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- "Bellevue Syrene" ★★★★★** (65 rooms),
p.za della Vittoria, 5 - Tel. 081.878.10.24,
fax 878.39.63; info@bellevue.it - www.bellevue.it
☎ P ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑
- "Bristol" ★★★★★** (145 rooms), via Capo, 22 -
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bristol@acampora.it - www.acampora.it
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- "Carlton International" ★★★★★** (76 rooms),
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- "Central" ★★★★★** (60 rooms), c.so Italia, 254 -
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- "Conca Park" ★★★★★** (205 rooms), via degli Aranci, 13/bis -
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- info@concapark.com - www.concapark.com

- "Continental" ★★★★★** (85 rooms), p.za della Vittoria, 4 -
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 www.continentalsorrento.com

- "Europa Palace" ★★★★★** (70 rooms), via Correale, 34/36 -
 Tel. 081.807.34.32, fax 807.43.84;
 info@europapalace.com - www.europapalace.it

- "Grand Hotel Cesare Augusto" ★★★★★** (120 rooms),
 via degli Aranci, 108 - Tel. 081.878.27.00,
 fax 807.10.29; info@hotelcesareaugusto.com -
 www.hotelcesareaugusto.com

- "Grand Hotel Flora" ★★★★★** (85 rooms), c.so Italia,
 248 - Tel. 081.878.25.20, fax 807.24.85 807.26.34;
 info@grandhotelflora.com -
 www.grandhotelflora.com

- "Grand Hotel Riviera" ★★★★★** (106 rooms),
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- "Grand Hotel Vesuvio" ★★★★★** (250 rooms),
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- "Gran Paradiso" ★★★★★** (99 rooms), via Catigliano, 9 -
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 info@hotelgranparadiso.com -
 www.hotelgranparadiso.com

- "Hilton Sorrento Palace" ★★★★★** (375 rooms),
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 fax 878.39.33; rm.sorrento@hilton.com -
 www.sorrento.hilton.com

- "Imperial Tramontano" ★★★★★** (115 rooms),
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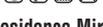
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- "La Solara Best Western" ★★★★★** (38 rooms),
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- "Maison La Minervetta" ★★★★★** (12 rooms),
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- "Michelangelo" ★★★★★** (121 rooms), c.so Italia, 275 -
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- "Minerva" ★★★★★** (64 rooms), via Capo, 30 -
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- "Admiral" ★★★** (62 rooms), via Marina Grande, 218 -
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- "Plaza" ★★★** (75 rooms), via Fuorimura, 3 -
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- "Tirrenia" ★★★** (69 rooms), via Capo, 2 -
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- "Villa di Sorrento" ★★★** (21 rooms), via E. Caruso, 6 -
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- "Villa Fiorita" ★★★** (25 rooms), via Nastro Verde, 96 -
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www.albergovillafiorita.com
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- "Villa Gerardo" ★★★** (21 rooms), via Capo, 82/84 -
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info@villagerardo.com - www.villagerardo.com
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- "Villa Igea" ★★★** (60 rooms), via Capo, 96 -
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"Villa Maria" ★★★ (78 rooms), via Capo, 8 -
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"Zi Teresa" ★★★ (58 rooms), vico III Rota, 3 -
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"Astoria" ★★ (32 rooms), via Sedil Dominova, 4 -
Tel. 081.807.40.30, fax 877.11.24

"Sorrento City" ★★ (12 rooms), c.so Italia, 221 -
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www.sorrentocity.com
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"Desirée (Garni)" ★★ (22 rooms), via Capo, 31 bis -
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"Mignon Meublé" ★★ (24 rooms), via A. Sersale, 9 -
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www.sorrentohotelmignon.com
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"Savoia" ★★ (16 rooms), via Fuorimura, 46/48 -
Tel. 081.878.25.11 fax 081.877.38.71;
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"Linda" ★ (14 rooms), via degli Aranci, 125 -
Tel/fax 081.878.29.16; info@hotellinda.com -
www.hotellinda.com

"Nice" ★ (24 rooms), c.so Italia, 257 -
Tel. 081.878.16.50, fax 878.30.86;
info@hotelnice.it - www.hotelnice.it
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"La Cartolina", via Lamia, 9/d (Deserto area) -
Tel. 081.532.44.31, fax 878.10.63;
info@lacartolinaresidence.it -
www.lacartolinaresidence.it

Restaurants

"Altea", via B. Rota, 15 - Tel. 081.878.21.44
"Aminta", via Nastro Verde, 23 - Tel. 081.878.18.21
"Angelina Lauro", p.za A. Lauro, 39/40 -
Tel. 081.807.40.97, 807.38.86
"Antico Frantoio", via Casarlarano, 8 -
Tel. 081.807.29.59
"Ascot", via Capo, 6 - Tel. 081.878.30.32, 807.30.13

"Atlantic Palace", via Capo, 76 - Tel. 081.878.26.88
"Bacchus", p.za Sant'Antonino, 20 -
Tel. 081.807.46.10

"Bellevue Syrene", p.za della Vittoria, 5 -
Tel. 081.878.10.24

"Bristol", via Capo, 22 - Tel. 081.878.45.22

"Caruso", via Sant'Antonino, 12 (p.za Tasso) -
Tel. 081.807.31.56

"Cesare Augusto", via degli Aranci, 108 -
Tel. 081.878.27.00

"Circolo dei Forestieri", via L. De Maio, 35 -
Tel. 081.877.32.63, 877.77.77

"Conca Park", via degli Aranci, 13/bis -
Tel. 081.807.16.21

"Continental", p.za della Vittoria, 4 -
Tel. 081.807.26.08

"da Cataldo", via Marina Grande -
Tel. 081.878.21.70, 335.842.203.6, 877.40.14

"da Filippo", via Cesarano, 5 -
Tel. 081.877.24.48, 807.37.96

"da Gaetano Vito Vero", via Casarlarano, 19 -
Tel. 081.807.22.00

"da Gigino", via Degli Archi, 15 - Tel. 081.878.19.27

"Dania", via Capo, 69 - Tel. 081.807.35.72

"Delfino", via Marina Grande, 2 - Tel. 081.878.20.38

"don Vincenzo", p.za T. Tasso, 3/4 -
Tel. 081.877.26.31

"The Garden" (winebar, wine shop), c.so Italia, 50/52 -
Tel. 081.878.11.95

"Excelsior Vittoria Grand Hotel", p.za T. Tasso, 34 -
Tel. 081.807.10.44

"Flora", c.so Italia, 248 - Tel. 081.878.25.20

"Giardiniello", via dell'Accademia, 7 -
Tel. 081.878.46.16

"Gran Paradiso", via Catigliano, 9 -
Tel. 081.807.37.00

"Hilton Sorrento", via Sant'Antonio, 13 -
Tel. 081.878.41.41

"Holiday pub inn", via P. R. Giuliani, 66 -
Tel. 081.878.36.17

"Il Borgo", via Nastro Verde, 44 -
Tel. 081.878.18.27, 878.55.57, 807.31.21

"Il Buco", Il rampa Marina Piccola
(p.za Sant'Antonino), 5 - Tel. 081.878.23.54

"Il Dongiovanni", p.za della Vittoria, 4 -
Tel. 081.878.17.68

"Il Leone Rosso", via Marziale, 25 -
Tel. 081.807.30.89, 346.499.989.4

- "Il Pozzo"**, via T. Tasso, 32 - Tel. 081.877.48.76, 877.42.10
- "Imperial Tramontano"**, via Vittorio Veneto, 1 - Tel. 081.878.25.88
- "Johanna Park"**, via Nastro Verde, 25 - Tel. 081.807.24.72
- "La Fenice"**, via degli Aranci, 11 - Tel. 081.878.16.52, 532.41.54, 807.56.47
- "La Lanterna"**, via San Cesareo, 23/25 - Tel. 081.878.13.55
- "La Lanterna Due"**, via Santa Maria delle Grazie, 28/30 - Tel. 807.45.21
- "L'Antica Trattoria"**, via P. R. Giuliani, 45 - Tel. 081.807.10.82
- "La Solara"**, via Capo, 118 - Tel. 081.533.80.00
- "La Stalla"**, via Santa Maria Pietà, 3 - Tel. 081.807.41.45
- "La Tavernetta"**, via Cala di Puolo, 16 - Tel. 081.533.97.97, 878.98.18
- "La Tonnarella"**, via Capo, 31 - Tel. 081.878.11.53
- "La Vela Bianca"**, via Marina Piccola, 5 - Tel. 081.878.13.90
- "Le Ginestre"**, via Capo, 15 - Tel. 081.878.45.55
- "Le Macine"**, via Atigliana, 6 - Tel. 081.807.20.34
- "Le Muse"**, via A. Califano, 18 - Tel. 081.878.20.25
- "Leone"**, via Parsano, 10 - Tel. 081.878.28.29
- "Le Palme"**, via Nastro Verde, 82 - Tel. 081.878.48.68, 878.14.79
- "Le Querce"**, via Capo, 15 - Tel. 081.878.45.55
- "Le Relais"**, via Correale, 42 - Tel. 081.807.34.34
- "Loreley et Londres"**, via A. Califano, 2 - Tel. 081.807.31.87
- "Marameo"**, Beach San Francesco (loc. Marina Piccola) - Tel. 081.878.33.81
- "Master Hosts"**, c.so Italia, 244/246 - Tel. 081.877.33.77
- "Merry Monk"**, c.so Italia, 38/f - Tel. 081.877.24.09
- "Miccio"**, via degli Aranci, 36 - Tel. 081.878.12.23
- "Minerva"**, via Capo, 30 - Tel. 081.878.10.11
- "O Canonico"**, p.za Tasso, 10/11 - Tel. 081.878.12.48, 878.32.77, 532.45.46
- "O Parrucchiano La Favorita"**, c.so Italia, 71/73 - Tel. 081.878.13.21, 532.40.35
- "Parco dei Principi"**, via B. Rota - Tel. 081.878.46.44
- "President"**, via Colle Parisi, 4 - Tel. 081.878.22.62
- "Riviera"**, via A. Califano, 22/a - Tel. 081.807.20.11
- "Santa Croce al Picco"**, via Nastro Azzurro, 25/bis - Tel. 081.533.34.40
- "Sant'Antonino"**, via Santa Maria delle Grazie, 6 - Tel. 081.877.12.00, 877.10.07
- "Settimo Cielo"**, via Capo, 27 - Tel. 081.807.32.90
- "Tasso"**, via Correale, 11 - Tel. 081.878.58.09, 878.64.37
- "The Garden"**, via Tasso, 2 - c.so Italia, 50/52 - Tel. 081.878.11.95
- "Tuttomare"**, via Correale, 25 - Tel. 081.807.33.57
- "Verdemare"**, via Capo, 70 - Tel. 081.878.25.89
- "Villa Gerardo"**, via Capo, 82/84 - Tel. 081.807.30.63, 807.35.77
- "Villa Pompeiana"**, via Marina Grande, 1 - Tel. 081.807.30.41
- "Villa Rubinacci"**, via Correale, 25 - Tel. 081.878.19.09
- "Zi 'Ntonio"**, via L. De Maio, 11 - via Marina Grande, 180 - Tel. 081.807.30.33, 807.39.13, 878.16.23

Room rental

- "Casa Amore"** (4 rooms), via degli Aranci, 80 - Tel. 081.877.48.63, fax 877.48.63
- "Casa Astarita"** (6 rooms), c.so Italia, 67 - Tel. 081.877.49.06, fax 807.11.46; info@casastarita.com - www.casastarita.com
- "Casa Dominova"** (5 rooms), via P. R. Giuliani, 58 - Tel. 081.877.34.46; info@casadominova.com - www.casadominova.com
- "Casale Antonietta"** (5 rooms), trav. Pantano, 3 - Tel/fax 081.877.39.37; www.casaleantonietta.com
- "Casa Sorrentina"** (5 rooms), c.so Italia, 134 - Tel. 081.878.27.38, fax 878.10.90; info@casasorrentina.com - www.casasorrentina.com
- "Cultur Summer"** (8 rooms), via Marina Grande, 28 - Tel. 081.878.29.66, fax 878.34.83; www.colonahotels.com
- "Il Roseto"** (5 rooms), c.so Italia, 304 - Tel. 081.532.91.20, fax 532.91.21; info@ilrosetosorrento.com - www.ilrosetosorrento.com
- "La Caffetteria"** (5 rooms), via degli Aranci, 158 - Tel. 081.807.29.25, fax 877.13.71
- "La Cartolina"** (3 rooms), via Lamia, 9/d (Deserto area) - Tel. 081.532.44.31, fax 878.10.63; info@lacartolinaresidence.it - www.lacartolinaresidence.it
- "La Magnolia"** (6 rooms), v.le E. Caruso, 14 - Tel. 081.877.35.60, fax 877.44.12; info@magnoliasorrento.it - www.magnoliasorrento.it
- "La Neffola"**, via Capo, 21 - Tel. 081.878.13.44,

fax 807.34.50; info@neffolareidence.com -
www.neffolareidence.com

"Palazzo Marziale" (5 rooms), p.za F. S. Gargiulo, 2 -
Tel. 081.807.44.06, fax 877.41.87;
info@palazzomarziale.com -
www.palazzomarziale.com

"Palazzo Starace" (5 rooms), via Santa Maria della
Pietà, 9 - Tel. 081.878.40.31, fax 532.93.44;
info@palazzostarace.com -
www.palazzostarace.com

"Regina Giovanna Apartments" (2 rooms),
calata Punta Capo, 23 - Tel/fax 081.807.16.77;
info@reginagiovanna.it - www.reginagiovanna.com

"Santa Lucia" (5 rooms), via Santa Lucia, 23 -
Tel. 081.878.46.22, 338.229.172.9;
info@residencesorrento.com -
www.residencesorrento.com

"Villa Anna" (5 rooms), via B. Rota, 8 -
Tel/fax 081.807.37.85; info@villanna.com -
www.villanna.com

"Villa Oriana Relais" (7 rooms), via Rubinacci, 1 -
Tel. 081.878.24.68, fax 532.48.30;
info@villauriana.it - www.villauriana.it

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"Casa Chiaro di Luna" (3 rooms),
strettola San Vincenzo, 2 - Tel/fax 081.807.41.02;
info@casachiarodiluna.it - www.casachiarodiluna.it

"Casa Iaccarino" (2 rooms), c.so Italia, 5 -
Tel/fax 081.878.11.91

"Casa Margherita" (3 rooms), c.so Italia, 38 -
Tel. 081.808.89.43

"Concetta Scarpato" (3 rooms), via degli Aranci, 25 -
Tel. 081.807.20.81

"Dominova" (2 rooms), c.so Italia, 281 -
Tel. 081.877.11.05; dominova@virgilio.it

"Don Alfonso" (3 rooms), c.so Italia, 67 -
Tel/fax 081.807.13.08; donalfonso@sorrentotour.it -
www.sorrentotour/donalfonso.it

"L'Acerò" (1 room), via Nastro Azzurro, 18 -
Tel/fax 081.533.31.24

"Residenza Maresca" (3 rooms), c.so Italia, 5 -
Tel/fax 081.878.46.16; info@residenzamaresca.com -
www.residenzamaresca.com

"Tasso House" (3 rooms), via San Nicola, 19 -
Tel/fax 081.877.11.33; info@tassoehouse.com -
www.tassoehouse.com

"Villa Emanuela" (3 rooms),
via Calata Punta Capo, 12 - Tel/fax 081.877.13.92;
postmaster@villaemanuela.com -
www.villaemanuela.com

"Villa Monica" (3 rooms), via Campitiello, 14 -

Tel/fax 081.877.37.05, 347.003.722.6;
info@villamonicasorrento.com -
www.villamonicasorrento.com

"Villa Pane" (3 rooms), via Baranica, 13 -
Tel/fax 081.878.54.38; villapane@villapane.it -
www.villapane.it

"Villa Serena" (3 rooms), via Pantano, 21/a -
Tel/fax 081.807.56.22; info@villaserenasorrento.com -
www.villaserenasorrento.com

Holiday apartments

"Antico Palazzo Scala" (6★apartments),
via Santa Maria delle Grazie, 26 -
Tel. 081.532.14.00, 347.905.186.9;
info@palazzoscala.it - www.palazzoscala.it

"Corso Italia Suites", c.so Italia, 116 -
Tel. 081.532.98.30

"Istituto Bambin Gesù" (13 rooms), c.so Italia, 377 -
Tel/fax 081.878.17.97

"La Loggia", c.so Italia, 38/c - Tel. 081.878.10.12

"Oasi Madre della Pace" (10 rooms), via Parisi, 22 -
Tel. 081.878.19.24

"Relais Von Gunderode" (3 apartments),
via L. De Maio, 38/40 - Tel/fax 081.878.20.32,
328.775.559.4; info@villaterazza.it -
www.villaterazza.it

"Sorrento Apartments" (3 apartments),
via P. R. Giuliani, 43 - Tel. 081.877.33.11

"Villa Elisa" (3 rooms), p.za Sant'Antonino, 19 -
Tel. 081.878.27.92; pinellaporzio@hotmail.com

"Villa Giovanna" (1 flatlet), via Nastro Verde, 23/t -
Tel. 081.878.44.65

"Villa Kalimera", via Capo, 53 - Tel. 081.807.36.50

"Villa Parisi" (Nineteenth century villa),
via Nastro Verde, 30 -
Tel. 348.331.588.2, fax 06.233.218.733

"Villa Tritone", via Marina Grande, 5 -
Tel. 081.878.10.28, fax 06.6873.796;
ritavessicelli@tiscali.it, info@villatritone.it -
www.villatritone.it

Agritourisms

"Fattoria Marecoccòla" (14 rooms), via Malacoccola,
10 - Tel. 081.533.01.51, fax 533.09.21;
info@fattoriamaecoccola.com -
www.fattoriamaecoccola.net

"Piccolo Paradiso" (4 rooms), via Nastro Azzurro, 19 -
Tel. 081.808.38.69, fax 808.38.09;
info@piccoloparadiso.net - www.piccoloparadiso.net

"Regina Giovanna" (14 rooms + 6 apartments),
via Calata Puolo, 1 - Tel. 081.533.99.08,
fax 533.99.14; info@relaisreginagiovanna.it -
www.relaisreginagiovanna.it

Villages and camping

"Nube d'Argento", via Capo, 21 - Tel. 081.878.13.44, fax 807.34.50, info@nubedargento.com - www.nubedargento.com

"Santa Fortunata", via Capo, 39 - Tel. 081.807.35.74, fax 807.35.90; info@santafortunata.com - www.santafortunata.com

"Villaggio Verde", via Cesarano, 12 - Tel/fax 081.807.32.58

Hostels

"Le Sirene", via degli Aranci, 160 - Tel. 807.29.25, fax 877.13.71, info@hostellesirene.com

"Ulisse De Luxe Hostel", via del Mare, 22 - Tel. 081.877.47.53, fax 877.40.93, info@ulissedeluxe.com - www.ulissedeluxe.com

Harbour&tourist landing places

Ufficio Locale Marittimo di Sorrento - Tel/fax 081.807.30.71

Marina Piccola (berth for 250, max boat length 15 m): Coport - Tel. 081.878.67.60, Mr. Umberto Di Leva; Nautica Sicsic -Tel. 081.807.22.83;

Marina Grande (berth for 20, max boat length 10 m): Azzurra - Tel. 081.878.56.08, Mr. Renato Esposito; Fratelli Ambrosio

Bathing establishments

"Bagni Delfino", via Marina Grande, 2 - Tel. 081.878.20.38

"Bagni Fortuna", via San Francesco, 2 - Tel. 081.878.33.81

"Bagni Salvatore", loc. Marina di San Francesco - Tel. 081.878.11.63

"Bagni Sant'Anna", loc. Marina Grande - Tel. 368.751.10.90

"Leonelli's Beach", via Marina Piccola, 55 - Tel. 081.878.16.44

"Peter's Beach", loc. Marina di San Francesco - Tel. 081.878.21.20

"Tony's Beach", via Marina Grande - Tel. 081.878.21.70

VICO EQUENSE**How to get there***By car*

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento

By train

From Naples, Circumvesuviana line, stations of Scrajo and Vico

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples (airport)

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 081.801.91.11

Police Station - Tel. 081.801.66.40

Carabinieri - Tel. 081.801.56.56

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

Pharmacy Barbato, via R. Bosco, 835 - Tel. 081.802.48.51

Pharmacy Costabile, c.so Filangieri, 60 - Tel. 081.879.80.41

Pharmacy Cuomo, via Roma, 18 - Tel. 081.801.55.25

Pharmacy Santa Lucia, via R. Bosco, 313 - Tel. 081.879.88.24

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, via San Ciro, 16 - Tel. 081.801.57.52; www.vicoturismo.it

Travel agencies

"Baltur Viaggi e Turismo", c.so Filangieri, 25 - Tel. 081.801.63.73, fax 801.53.39; baltur@uniserv.uniplan.it

"Curreri Viaggi", p.za Kennedy, 10/a - Tel. 081.801.54.20, fax 801.57.44; info@curreriviaggi.it - www.curreriviaggi.it

"Kylix Travel", via C. Colombo, 10 - Tel. 081.801.67.14, fax 801.71.88; info@kylixtravel.com - www.kylixtravel.com

Congress facilities

"Grand Hotel Angiolieri" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 150 seats), via Santa Maria Vecchia, 2 (loc. Seiano) - Tel. 081.802.91.61, fax 802.85.58; info@grandhotelangiolieri.it -

www.grandhoteliangiolieri.it

"Capo La Gala" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats), via L. Serio, 8 (loc. Scrajo) - Tel. 081.801.57.58, fax 879.87.47; info@hotelcapolagala.com - www.hotelcapolagala.com

"Le Axidie" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats), via Marina di Aequa - Tel. 081.802.85.62, fax 802.85.65; www.axidie.it

"Moon Valley" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 180 seats), c.so Caulino, 5 - Tel. 081.802.80.15, 362.31.79, fax 362.38.20, 802.80.20; www.moonvalley.it

"Scrajo Terme" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 200 seats), S.S. 145 Sorrentina, 9 - Tel. 081.801.57.31, fax 801.57.34; www.scrajoterme.it

"Aequa" ★★★ (2 halls, 130 seats), c.so Filangieri, 48 - Tel. 081.801.53.31, fax 801.50.71; aequahotel@tin.it - www.aequahotel.it

"Mega Mare" ★★★ (2 halls, 150 seats), c.so Caulino, 73 (loc. Punta Scutolo) - Tel. 081.802.84.94, fax 802.87.77; www.hotelmegamare.com

"Oriente" ★★★ (5 halls, 650 seats), c.so L. Serio, 7/9 - Tel. 081.801.55.22, fax 879.03.85; www.hoteloriente.it

"Sereni Soggiorno Salesiano" ★★★ (9 halls, 650 seats), via Pacognano, 34 - Tel. 081.802.87.75, fax 802.89.42; www.soggiornosalesiano.it

"Sporting" ★★★ (2 halls, 200 seats), c.so Filangieri, 127 - Tel. 081.879.96.61, 879.96.62, fax 801.66.36; info@hotel-sporting.it - www.hotel-sporting.it

"Torre Barbara" ★★★ (2 hall, 20 seats), c.so Caulino, 77 - tel. 081.802.92.09, fax 802.92.20; info@torrebarbara.it - www.torrebarbara.it

"Villa della Porta" ★★★ (1 hall, 120 seats), via San Bernardino, 1 (loc. Pacognano) - Tel. 081.802.92.43, 339.374.209.9; villaporta@hotmail.com - www.villadellaporta.it

"Medieval Castle" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 360 people; a medieval-style gazebo for 500 people, heated and offering shelter from wind and rain). Via Panoramica, 62 (S.S. 145 Sorrentina) located between Castellammare and Vico Equense - Tel. 081.246.61.93, 246.61.94, Fax 240.36.98; castello@castellomedioevale.com - www.castellomedioevale.com

Sites and monuments

Cathedral of the Annunziata (XIV c., Via Vescovado), the only example of Gothic on the Sorrento peninsula; inside: frescos, paintings, carved wooden seats, statues and precious furnishings, sculptural tombs; a Renaissance triptych on the wall adjacent to the bell tower; in the apse, the XVIII c. *Vergine Annunziata* by Giuseppe Bonito; in the sacristy, ovals in stucco depicting the bishops who have succeeded each other over the centuries. In the Cathedral the mortal remains of the XVIII c. Neapolitan economist Gaetano Filangieri, the author of the treaty *La Scienza della Legislazione (The Science of Legislation)*.

Church of Santi Ciro e Giovanni (Piazza Umberto), with a fine majolicated cupola of 1715

Angevin Castle, restructured several times over the centuries: balcony over the sea, terrace with belvedere, garden with age-old plants, fountains, tree-lined avenues; contact the concierge.

Church of Santa Maria del Toro (XVI c.): inside an



exceptionally beautiful ceiling with wooden carved and painted coffering.

Monastery of the Santissima Trinità, venue for summer shows, church open only for exhibitions and the cloister.

Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie, known as "Punta a mare", next to the cathedral, rarely open.

Tower of Scùtolo (Montechiaro), on the mountain a dramatic watch tower dominates the bay and creates an extraordinary landscape.

Tower of Caporivo (Marina di Aequa), on the beach a stout watch tower that tells of pirates and epic times,

Church of San Michele (Ticciano)

Monastery of San Francesco (XVII c., San Francesco): outstanding covering in the refectory, in Neapolitan majolicas from 1740 and the XVII c. fresco depicting a *Cena (Supper)*. The adjacent belvedere offers views over the whole bay of Naples.

Chapel of Santa Lucia (XIV c., Massaquano), elegantly frescoed in a wonderful Giotto-like style.

Church of the Olmo and Oratory of Santa Maria a Chiaia (Massaquano)

Monastery Complex of the Camaldolesi (XVII c., Aròla), remains of cottages once used for the cells of the monks, close to the Villa Giusso and its park enclosed by battlemented walls.

Former Arsenal (XV c., Marina di Aequa, building later used a "Calcàra" or limekiln), an ancient construction in tuff on the seafont "delle Calcàre", characterised by a row of double Gothic arches in Catalan style.

Church of Santa Maria Vecchia (Seiano), a phenomenal collection of votive offerings from seafarers.

Parish church of San Marco (XVIII c., Seiano), with an original octagonal plan.

Medieval Castle, clinging to a rocky spur of Monte Faito, which rises majestically behind it up to a height of 650 metres. The turreted fortress affords breathtaking views over the bay and Vesuvius. It was built in the 10th century by the Duke of Sorrento, with Byzantine influences. Its present appearance is due its latest modifications, carried out in the mid 15th century to fortify the castle so that it could resist artillery onslaughts.

Nature and surroundings

Excursions: towards Positano; to the Camaldoli (415 m), with the ruins of the old monastery and spectacular view over the bay; to Preazzano (490

m); to Santa Maria del Castello (600 m), which looks over the bay of Salerno and dominates Positano; at Scioiosa, an area occupying a kilometre along the road that links Piano to Positano, a charming branch that leads to the sea, using the Statale Amalfitana road.

Climbs: to Monte Sant'Angelo a Tre Pizzi (1443 m); to Monte Comune (877 m); to Monte Faito (1103 m)

Vallone di Seiano, here, where an ancient river flowed, nature shows off her great wild side.

"Grotta del Romito" ("Hermit's Grotto") (San Salvatore), along the road that leads to Santa Maria a Chiaia, a panoramic excursion affording views over the whole Peninsula, up to the Hermit's Grotto, which still shows traces of its mystical past in an ancient religious graffito on the wall.

Hill of Astapiana (Aròla), here there is an exceptional belvedere next to the remains of the ancient Camaldoli monastery.

Typical products

Oil ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOP); wine ("Penisola Sorrentina" DOC); bread, biscuits, taralli; dairy products and cheese; meat, salamis and sausages; vegetables; fruit: citrus fruit ("Limone di Sorrento" IGP); fish; confectionery; spirits, distillates, digestives

Oil:

"Provincial Association of Olive Growers Apròl" (info), via D. Caccioppoli, 25 - Tel. 081.879.92.90, fax 801.55.57

"Casale San Martino", via R. Bosco, 863/bis - via San Martino, 24 (loc. Alberi) - Tel. 081.802.43.09, 802.47.50

Spirits:

"Gioia Luisa" - Tel. 081.802.47.69, fax 802.41.86; info@gioialuisa.com

Dairy products & cheese:

"Albano Giosuè", via Sala, 15 - Tel. 081.802.31.51

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"Guida Franco", p.za G. Marconi, 19 - Tel. 081.879.88.08

"La Verde Fattoria del Monte Comune", via Sala, 24 - Tel. 081.802.30.95, fax 802.37.29

"Parlato Luigi", via A. Arola, 4 - Tel. 081.802.40.63

"Russo", via Alberi, 16 - Tel. 081.878.70.55, 532.22.23

"Savarese Natale Domenico", via R. Bosco, 197 -
Tel. 081.802.75.75

Provolone del Monaco originale:

"Parlato Luigi", via Aiello, 9 - Tel. 081.802.40.63

"Staiano Antonio", via R. Bosco, 826 -
Tel. 081.802.34.27

"Staiano Orazio", via R. Bosco, 821 -
Tel. 081.802.40.97

"Staiano Salvatore", via Veterina, 34/b -
Tel. 081.802.44.85

Fruit and vegetables:

"La Sorgente del Melo", via Tessa, 2
(loc. Santa Maria del Castello) - Tel. 081.802.37.01
(tomatoes, potatoes, aubergines, beans, wine)

"Masseria Astapiana", via Camaldoli, 50 (loc. Arola) -
Tel. 081.802.43.92 (oil, jams, marmalades)

Delicatessen:

"Caccioppoli Antonio", via Nicotera, 37 -
Tel. 081.879.80.27

"Cinque Viola", via Patierno, 19 - Tel. 081.801.62.61

"De Gennaro Michele", via D. Caccioppoli, 2 -
Tel. 081.879.85.64

"Di Palma", c.so Filangieri, 47 - Tel. 081.879.88.57

"Esposito Luigia", via R. Bosco, 104 -
Tel. 081.802.71.83

"Gabriele - Alimentari Italia", c.so Umberto I, 5/7 -
Tel. 081.801.62.34, fax 801.63.63

"La Tradizione", via R. Bosco, 969 -
Tel. 081.802.84.37, fax 802.97.91

"Pulzella Ciro", via Santa Sofia, 15 -
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"Savarese Antonietta", c.so Filangieri, 79 -
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"Savarese Filomena", via Bonea, 2 -
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"Savarese Giovanni", via Carbone, 2 -
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"Savarese Antonietta", c.so Filangieri, 86 -
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"Aldo", via Nicotera, 21 - Tel. 081.879.01.11

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"Coppola", via R. Bosco, 233 - Tel. 081.879.09.06

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"Luen", via R. Bosco, 369 - Tel. 081.879.99.04

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"Vanacore", via L. De Feo Luigi, 23 -
Tel. 081.802.75.60

"Venera", via R. Bosco, 455 - Tel. 081.802.38.15

"Volpe", c.so Filangieri, 77 - Tel. 081.879.80.21

Events

"Festival and Parade of the Pacchianelle", January 6th (Tel. 081/801.57.52): the itinerant nativity scene that threads through the town is inspired by the clothes of classical XVIII Neapolitan fashions; it will be one century old in 2009.

"Procession of the dead Christ", Good Friday (www.processioni.com) every 3 years the Confraternity of the Morte e Orazione (Seiano) hosts the historic costume pageant of the Mother of Sorrows seeking her dead Son. The other two years the sacred service, mantled in the penitential colour of purple, is organized by the Arciconfraternita dell'Assunta e Monte dei Morti, which is located in the old centre of the town.

"Procession of the Virgin", (Massaquano): every year the statue of the Madonna, her garments interwoven with golden threads, crosses the town from the Oratory of Santa Maria a Chiaia under thousands of rose petals scattered over her by the faithful.

"Procession at sea of the statue of Sant'Antonio da Padova", June 13th: it leaves from the little church in Piazza della Marina of Aequa.

"Festival of Provolone del Monaco DOP", first half of July

"Festa di Santa Maria del Toro" (Santa Maria del Toro), religious and social celebrations in honour of the Madonna.

"Potato Festival" (Preazzano), August.

"Melon Festival" (Bonèa), August

"Aubergine Festival", (Ticciano), Agosto

"Festival of San Ciro", January 31st, religious services in honour of the Saint and healer, which continues on the 3rd Sunday in July, with a procession, social celebrations and firework displays.

"Raviuliillo Festival" (Aròla), August celebrations and festivities for this dairy delicacy, a small smoked 'caciocavallo' cheese filled with chilli pepper and black olives.

"Walnut Festival" (Massaquano), last week in September

"Chestnut Festival" (Monte Faito), 3rd weekend in October

Typical markets

"Festival of St. Ciro" (handicraft exhibition-market), January

Museums

Antiquarium Aequano - Silio Italico, Antiquarium Silio Italico (at Vecchia Casa Comunale - c.so Filangieri 98; for information and confirmation of opening hours contact the Council Office for Politiche Sociali, Tel. Tel. 081/801.92.42, or the Council switchboard 801.91.11). Opening Hours: weekdays, 8.00 to 14.00; Tuesday and Thursday also 17.00-19.00. Admittance is free. Archaeological finds from the VII-III c. B.C. in three large rooms, with an extraordinary collection of over 200 exhibits (Attic ceramics, Etruscan bronzes, Ionic- and Corinthian-style vases and bowls, amphorae, jewels, arms...) from various civilisations (Greeks, Etruscans, Italics) testifying to the ancient urban settlement as far back as the VII c. B.C. Furthermore, a series of explanatory panels show the story of the local pre-Roman necropolis (covering the area from Vico Lungo to Via Santa Sofia and Via Nicotera), which contained a couple of hundred tombs.

Campania Mineralogy Museum "Fondazione Discepolo", (Via San Ciro, 2 - Tel/Fax 081.801.56.68; info@museomineralogicocampano.it - www.museomineralogicocampano.it). Opening Hours: weekdays, from October to February: 9.00-13.00 / 16.00-19.00; from March to September: 9.00-13.00 / 17.00-20.00; holidays: 9.00-13.00. Monday closed, but open on request; guide group visits by appointment. Admission: € 3. It houses both the rich collection of minerals (5000 samples) collected all over the world by the enthusiast Pasquale Discepolo, an engineer, and a Palaeolithic section that exhibits dinosaur fossils (eggs, claws, teeth) and splendid examples of Nothosaurs and Mesosaurs.

Museum of Sacred Art, at the Friary of San Vito dei Padri Minimi, (Via R. Bosco, San Vito - Tel/Fax 081.879.80.29). Open on appointment, by request to the friars of the Friary. A precious collection of ancient masterpieces and religious objects that combine art and a sense of the sacred, from monasteries and churches of the Order from the different Italian regions. From the paintings illustrating the lives of the Saints to the exceptional altar frontals in coral and silver of Sicilian workmanship (XVII c.), to the ivory crucifix of Roman School (XVIII c.).

Ecomuseo Cites at Sereno Soggiorno Salesiano (Via Pacognano, 34 - Tel/Fax 081/802.87.75, 802.75.80). Opening Hours: 9.00-17.00 daily. Admittance is free. An unusual and peculiar educational nature centre, an excellent witness to the biodiversity of the earth, it conserves extraordinary exhibits of fauna (puma, tortoise, elephant, crocodile, etc.) and flora in danger

of becoming extinct and protected by the Washington international convention (Cites). The museum also houses artefacts in ivory or skins or carapaces of exotic animals (snakes, crocodiles, tortoises, etc.), stuffed birds and mammals, aquariums with exotic and Mediterranean fish, and fibreglass reproductions of some animals.

Hotels

- "Grand Hotel Angiolieri" ★★★★★** (40 rooms), via Santa Maria Vecchia, 2 (loc. Seiano) - Tel. 081.802.91.61, fax 802.85.58; info@grandhotelangiolieri.it - www.grandhotelangiolieri.it

- "Capo La Gala" ★★★★** (18 rooms), via L. Serio, 8 (loc. Scrajo) - Tel. 081.801.57.58, fax 879.87.47; info@hotelcapolagala.com - www.hotelcapolagala.com

- "Grand Hotel Monte Faito" ★★★★** (59 rooms), p.le dei Capi, 1 (loc. Monte Faito) - Tel. 081.879.31.34, fax 879.30.40

- "Le Axidie" ★★★★★** (35 rooms), via Marina di Aequa - Tel. 081.802.85.62, fax 802.85.65; axidie@tin.it - www.axidie.it

- "Moon Valley" ★★★★** (110 rooms), c.so Caulino, 5 - Tel. 081.802.80.15, 362.31.79, fax 362.38.20, 802.80.20; info@moonvalley.it - www.moonvalley.it

- "Scrajo Terme" ★★★★★** (7 rooms), S.S. 145, n. 9 - Tel. 081.801.57.31, fax 801.57.34; info@scrajoterme.it - www.scranjoterme.it

- "Aequa" ★★★** (68 rooms), c.so Filangieri, 48 - Tel. 081.801.53.31, fax 801.50.71; aequahotel@tin.it - www.aequahotel.it

- "Astoria" ★★★★★** (28 rooms), c.so Filangieri, 25 - Tel. 081.801.57.00, fax 801.53.39; info@astoriavico.com - www.astoriavico.com

- "Eden Bleu" ★★★** (24 rooms), via Murrano, 17 (loc. Marina di Aequa) - Tel. 081.802.85.50, fax 802.85.74; edenbleuhotel@libero.it - www.edenbleuhotel.com

- "La Cinciallegra" ★★★** (7 rooms), S.S., 85 (loc. Mount Faito) - Tel/fax 081.879.30.94
- "Villa della Porta" ★★★** (8 rooms), via San Bernardino, 1 (loc. Pacognano) -

Tel. 081.802.92.43, 339.374.209.9;
villaporta@hotmail.com - www.villadellaporta.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

“**Mary**” ★★★ (44 rooms), via Filangieri, 132 -
Tel. 081.801.64.18, 801.54.30, fax 801.55.35;
info@hotelmmaryvico.com - www.hotelmmaryvico.com
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“**Mega Mare**” ★★★ (20 rooms), c.so Caulino, 73
(loc. Punta Scutolo) - Tel. 081.802.84.94,
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www.hotelmegamare.com
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“**Oriente**” ★★★ (82 rooms), c.so L. Serio, 7/9 -
Tel. 081.801.55.22, fax 879.03.85;
info@hoteloriente.it - www.hoteloriente.it
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“**Sporting**” ★★★ (43 rooms), c.so Filangieri, 127 -
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info@hotel-sporting.it - www.hotel-sporting.it
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“**dei Fiori**” ★★★ (18 rooms), via della Cresta, 1
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“**Sereno Soggiorno Salesiano**” ★★★ (110 rooms),
via Pacognano, 34 - Tel. 081.802.87.75,
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www.soggiornosalesiano.it
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“**Torre Barbara**” ★★★ (19 rooms), c.so Caulino, 77 -
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☎ ☑ ☒ ☓

“**La Lontra**” ★★ (20 rooms), via Allacciamento, 1
(loc. Mount Faito) - Tel. 081.879.30.49

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(loc. Mount Faito) - Tel. 081.802.30.92, fax 802.36.93

“**Sant'Angelo**” ★★ (20 rooms), p.le dei Capi, 1
(loc. Mount Faito) - Tel/fax 081.879.30.42

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(loc. Moiano) - Tel/fax 081.802.30.90

Restaurants

“**Accanto**”, via Santa Maria Vecchia, 2 (loc. Seiano) -
Tel. 081.802.91.61

“**Aequa**”, c.so Filangieri, 48 - Tel. 081.801.53.31

“**Al Buco**”, via Roma, 26 - Tel. 081.801.62.55

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Tel. 081.802.80.37, 802.87.77, 802.84.94

“**Bikini**”, S.S. 145 Sorrentina km 13,900 -
Tel. 081.801.62.22

“**Campo Verde**”, via Raspolo, 2 - Tel. 081.801.64.20

“**Capo La Gala**”, via L. Serio, 8 (loc. Scrajo) -
Tel. 081.801.57.58

“**Capozzi**”, c.so Caulino, 9 - Tel. 081.802.80.26

“**Cuccurullo**”, via Marina di Equa, 2 -
Tel. 081.879.94.84

“**da Filomeno**”, via R. Bosco, 279 (loc. Sant'Andrea) -
Tel. 081.801.62.74, 801.60.20

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“**da Gigino Pizzametro, Università della Pizza**”,
via Nicotera, 15 - Tel. 081.879.83.09, 879.84.26

“**da Giovanni**”, via R. Bosco, 141 (loc. Sant'Andrea) -
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“**da Renato**”, via R. Bosco, 601 - Tel. 081.802.30.90

“**della Nave**”, p.za Chiesa, 27 (loc. Seiano) -
Tel. 081.802.84.74

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Tel. 338.931.798.3

“**Il Cavallino**”, via Raspolo, 2 - Tel. 081.801.61.78

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“**L'Accanto**”, via Santa Maria Vecchia, 2 -
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“**La Caletta**”, S.S. 145 Sorrentina, 10 -
Tel. 081.801.57.31, 801.57.34

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Tel. 081.802.40.35

“**La Cinciallegra**”, S.S., 85 (loc. Mount Faito) -
Tel. 081.879.30.94

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“**La Pergola**”, via R. Bosco, 709 - Tel. 081.802.46.51

“**La Torre del Saracino**”, via Torretta, 9 -
Tel. 081.802.85.55

“**Le Axidie**”, via Marina di Aequa - Tel. 081.802.85.62

“**Mary**”, via Filangieri, 132 - Tel. 081.801.64.18,
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- “**Mustafà**”, via Marina di Equa - Tel. 081.802.86.02
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- “**Torre del Saraceno**”, via Marina di Equa, 5 - Tel. 081.802.85.55
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- “**Torre Barbara**” (19 rooms), c.so Caulino, 77 - Tel. 081.802.92.09, fax 802.92.20; info@torrebarbara.it - www.torrebarbara.it
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- “**Castanito**” (5 rooms), via Madonna delle Grazie, 4 (loc. San Salvatore) - Tel. 081.801.60.50, fax 801.58.56; castanito@terranostroa.campania.it

"La Chiana" (5 rooms), via Aiello, 9 (loc. Arola) -
Tel/fax 081.802.41.94; www.lachiana.it

"La Ginestra", via Tessa, 2
(loc. Santa Maria del Castello) -
Tel/fax 081.802.32.11;
info@laginestra.org - www.laginestra.org

"La Sorgente del Melo" (5 rooms), via Tessa, 2
(loc. Santa Maria del Castello) -
Tel/fax 081.802.37.01; www.lasorgentedelmelo.it

"La Selva", via Camaldoli, 51/e (loc. Arola) -
Tel/fax 081.802.43.96

"Nonno Luigino" (8 rooms), via R. Bosco, 392 -
Tel/fax 081.801.65.20; info@nonnoluigino.com -
www.nonnoluigino.com

"Villa Chiara" educational farm, via Pacognano, 19 -
Tel. 081.802.91.65, fax 883.63.05; info@villa-
chiara.com - www.villa-chiara.com

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"Scrajo Terme", S.S. 145 Sorrentina, 9 -
Tel. 081.801.57.31

Villages and camping

"Baia Serena", S.S. 145 Sorrentina, km.19
(loc. Punta Scutolo) - Tel. 081.802.83.64

"Sant'Antonio", via Arcoleo, 20 (loc. Marina di Aequa) -

Tel. 081.802.85.60

"Seiano Spiaggia", via Murrano, 15
(loc. Marina di Aequa) - Tel/fax 081.802.85.60;
info@campingseiano.it - www.campingseiano.it

"Villaggio Turistico Azzurro", via Marina di Aequa, 9 -
Tel. 081.802.99.84, 347.242.399, fax 802.91.76;
info@villaggioazzurro.net -
www.villaggioazzurro.net

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Vico Equense -

Tel. 081.801.54.45 Moorings reserved for pleasure
boats: Marina di Vico Equense (berth for 10, max
boat length 6 m) - Tel. 333.751.506.2, Mr. Carlo
Cuciniello; Marina di Aequa (berth for 100, max
boat length 13 m) - Tel. 339.586.116.5, Mr. Paolo
Staiano

Bathing establishments

"Axidie", via Marina di Aequa -
Tel. 081.802.85.62

"Bikini", S.S. 145 Sorrentina km 13,900 -
Tel. 081.801.55.55

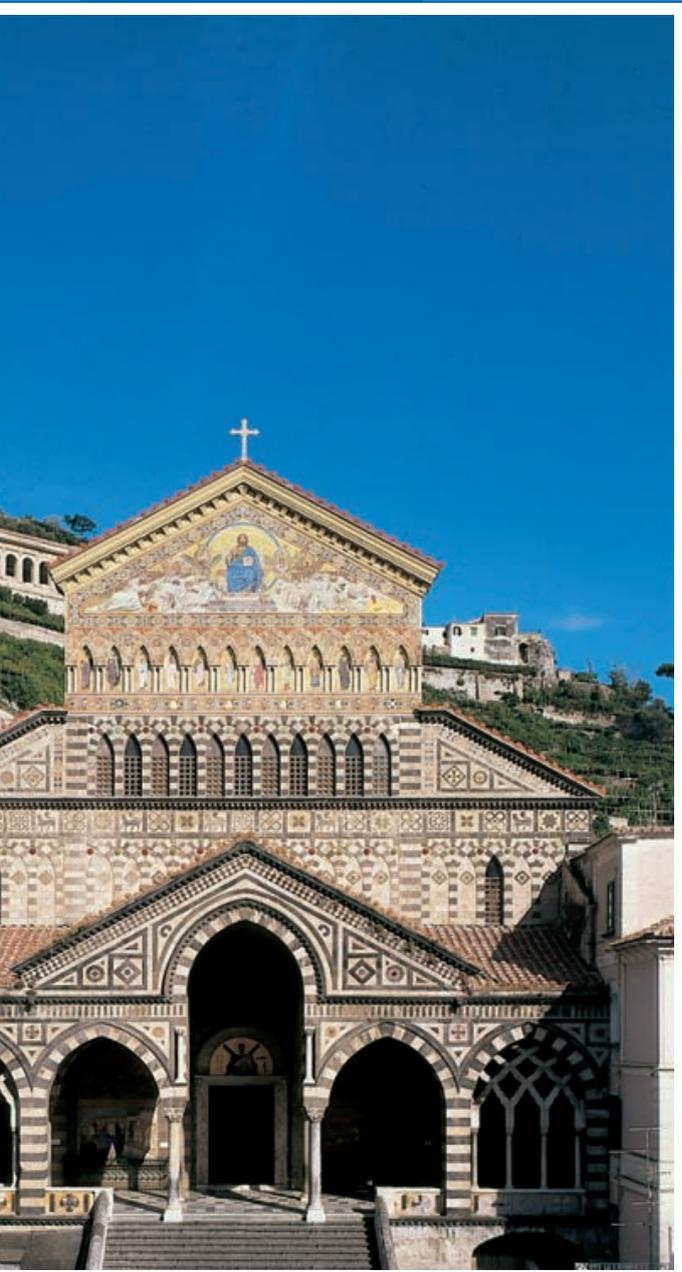
"Antico Bagno", via C. Colombo, 3 -
Tel. 081.879.84.51

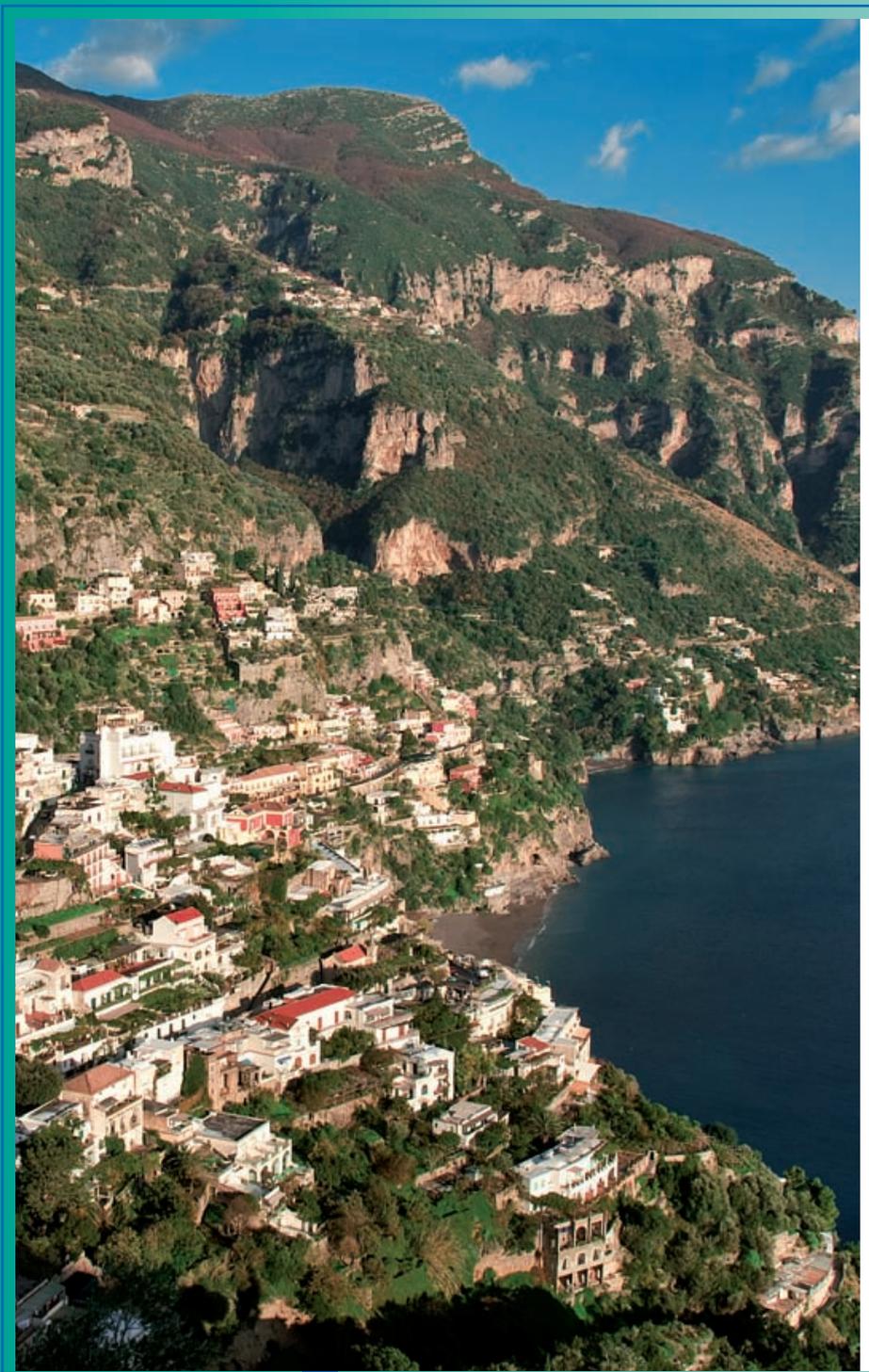
"Scrajo Mare", S.S. 145 Sorrentina -
Tel. 081.801.61.46



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Amalfi Coast

Peering down at it from the heights of its unforgettably blue sky, the land looks chalky and inaccessible. A wild, breathtaking beauty that no one would ever have the power to scar. And if the expression “earthly paradise” means anything, everyone can understand it when they see this place. “This is the garden that we are endlessly and fruitlessly seeking since the perfect places of our childhood,” the poet Salvatore Quasimodo, totally captivated by these splendid places, wrote about the Amalfi Coast. A veritable Eden, where – as legend has it – mother nature with a gener-



ous hand concentrated and enhanced the four primordial elements of life, exciting strong emotions and enchantment. Thus she shaped this magical 42-kilometre stretch of land as a rock fallen into the sea, with gently sloping or precipitous coastlines, deep fjords, mountains, rocks and promontories, white pebbled-beaches. She gave it transparent waters that shimmer with blue and green reflexes and penetrate every nook and cranny; she gave it coves and shorelines where for thousands of years the sailors and travellers who crossed that crystal sea found haven and delight. The calm, limpid air of the belvederes, eroded by the wind, that look over this panorama, a slice of infinity, is steeped with intense scents and perfumes: from the tang of salt – the sigh of



the sea caressing one’s skin – to the fragrance of the many gardens packed with flowers and plants. And, finally, mother nature fragmented the vital flame of a constantly warm and inviting sun into millions of tiny flames that were metamorphosed into broom blossom, and many more into precious fruits sprayed into the thick vegetation, amidst the dark hearts of the thousands of citrus orchards, bedecking with green, yellow and red the sloping terraces clawed from the mountains to cultivate such jewels. “Do you know the land where the lemon-trees flower?” sang Goethe. And this fruit, this symbol of eternal youth, of life that flowers in a constant becoming, has always been the most powerful symbol of this wonder-filled coastline. Tree of life, plant of love (“Lemon grove. Moment of my dream,” sang the poet. “Lemon grove. Nest of yellow seeds. Seeds where the sea-breezes suckle...”

According to myth, Venus, goddess of love, was born from a sea shell. Seen from above, this coastline looks exactly like a shell, its glowering mountains the rocky valves of a shell between which shine a handful of incredibly beautiful precious pearls: a picturesque village, a fearless *scalinatella*, a narrow flight of steps that climbs the cliff face, linking sea and sky, the majolica cupola of a church, an aristocratic villa, an emerald-coloured grotto, an unforgettable flower-clad loggia...



But beyond the recognition of poets, artists and travellers from all over the world, it is this uniqueness, this evident sense of the power of nature over man, which has given this coast world-wide recognition. Throughout the world the UNESCO World Heritage sites total just over 800. Since 1977 the Amalfi Coast (the southern slope of the peninsula that divides the bays of Naples and Salerno) is one of them. It is considered an exceptional example of Mediterranean landscape, with scenery of great natural, cultural and historic value.

The Statale 163 road winds its way up and down the coastline along one of the most striking and spectacular routes in Italy. The road, hewn out of the bare rock, twists through vineyards and olive and citrus groves,

as it follows the sinuous shape of the cliffs, hugging the coastline and connecting each enchanting little village like pearls on a string.

Elegant and simple, beautiful and hospitable, today Positano is a major international tourist destination. Archaeological remains found here a few years ago suggest that it has been inhabited since Palaeolithic times: if in the past it was only a series of caves, from the second half of the last century it began its ascent to celebrity status. Everything here is bewitching: nature, cuisine, entertainment, shopping...

Nestled in a small discreet basin, Positano shows its unique feature to those visitors who arrive from the sea: a charming cascade of white and coloured cottages spilling down the ridge. Like a nativity scene set on the side of a





mountain. From the cliff top down to the coast a picturesque cascade of windows and balconies, flower-clad pergolas, terraces and gardens, slopes down to the beach, traversed by the typical *scalinate*, stairs carved into the rock face.

Opposite its bay lie some small but nonetheless famous rocks: Li Galli, which, according to legend, was the home of the mythical sirens, fascinating and monstrous enchantresses, half-women, half-fish. Those who love religious mysteries will find the mountain of Montepertuso, above Positano, an interesting puzzle: The gigantic hole that pierces its peak is said to be a fingerprint made by the Virgin Mary when the devil challenged her to cross it.

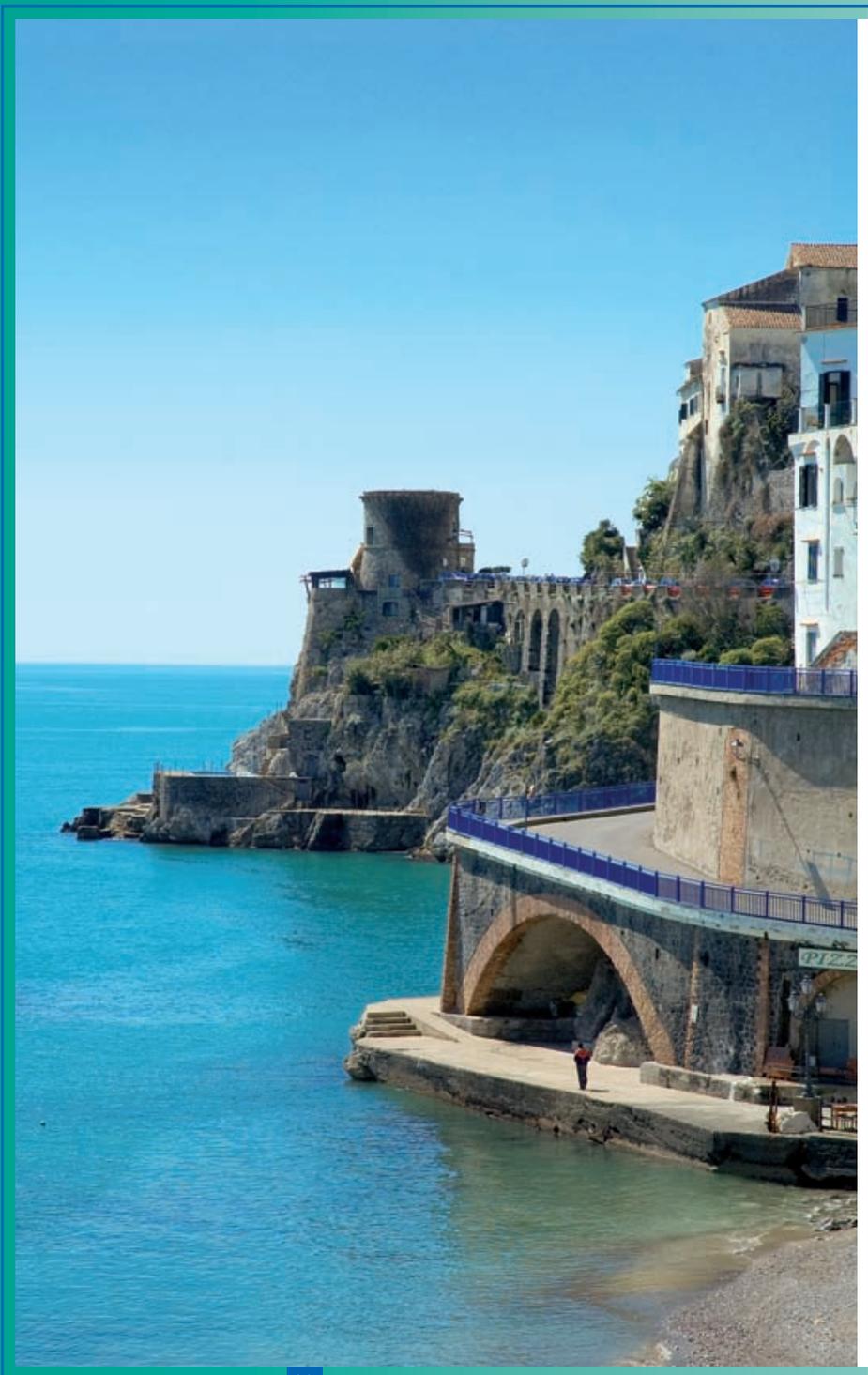
Without exaggeration, Furore is an outburst of emotion. Visiting this fjord is an unmissable experience! Its name ('fury') is a clue to its nature: a terrifying and fascinating precipice, unassailable by armies arriving from the land but not by the violence of the waves, whose roar is amplified by the steep faces of the fjord. The fjord is breathtakingly steep and its sight involves the senses in that horrifying and exciting state of mind that philosophers and poets call horror vacui, or fear of empty spaces.

Those who prefer the intimacy of a fishing village to glitz and glamour will find their haven in neighbouring Praiano, at the heart of this coastline. Though a quiet village, it is well-

equipped for tourists, with a delightful small marina and a beach lapped by an intensely and invitingly blue sea. And it was in this very village that the ancient doges of the nearby powerful Republic of Amalfi spent their holidays. Picturesque Conca dei Marini, a tranquil and tasteful little town clings to the rocky mountain face, basking in the coastal sunshine, observed by a splendid five century-old Saracen tower. But the real jewel of this area is the Emerald Grotto, which offers an amazing spectacle of stalactites and stalagmites against the magical background of waters glowing with the colour and fire of its precious namesake. Gourmets and gluttons will also be interested to know that in this town, in mid 18th century, the skilful nuns of the Convent of Santa Rosa invented the ultimate Neapolitan pastry, the "sfogliatella". The original version of this puff pastry had a meltingly creamy centre made of ricotta and candied fruit with sour black cherry jam.

During the Middle Ages Amalfi was a glorious Republic whose ships sailed the Mediter-





ranean, successfully trading with peoples of different cultures and religions. Now those swift craft no longer exist, but those sailors and merchants handed down to their descendants their spirit of communication and openness towards other peoples. And their descendants have become discerning and very welcoming hosts, turning their town into one of the most famous seaside resorts in Italy. Amalfi is appreciated for its incomparable beauty, mild climate, gastronomy, and important monuments such as the Duomo, where the miraculous remains of one of the Apostles of Christ, the fisherman Andrew (Peter's brother), are venerated.

Tiny, charming Atrani typifies the vertiginous beauty of the Divine Coast landscape, which has villages like this squeezed into narrow spaces at the mouth of the few valleys, intriguing pathways notched into the cliffs, thin sheets like tiny scars in the rock, or steps climbing vertically above the sea. A narcissist admiring its own reflection below in caves and gorges.

Bedecked with flowers, trees and exotic plants, Ravello is a flowering terrace overlooking the sea and the coastline all the way to Paestum, its height giving everything below a dream-like quality. An aristocratic jewel, renowned for its Arabic-Sicilian architecture; for its history, testified by its splendid buildings, and for its music. Every summer its world-famous Festival, dedicated to the memory of the mighty Wagner, who stayed here, attracts crowds of music lovers.

Set among woods of chestnut, oak and ilex trees, the tranquil and hospitable town of Scala is a popular holiday resort. One of its illustrious sons is brother Gerardo Sasso, who founded the powerful and still extant Order of Malta.

Minori, with its pretty little beach, offers visitors interested in Roman antiquities a well-preserved villa. In particularly good condition are

the thermal plant and the plumbing and heating systems, which demonstrate the skill and knowledge of Roman architects. Surrounded by scented gardens and terraced citrus groves, and built in the shape of an amphitheatre at the end of a valley, the coastal town of Maiori has a larger beach of very fine sand, and is particularly appreciated by tourists as a seaside resort. The municipality of Tramonti, which was founded in Roman times, is well worth exploring. Set among the mountains, it comprises no less than thirteen villages, scattered amidst vineyards and chestnut woods, and the familiar lemon groves of the coast. In Cetara, a picturesque fishing village, with a tiny beach protected by an elegant Saracen tower, the atmosphere is simple and homely, with the slow and reassuring rhythm of bygone times. Visitors to Vietri will find a pretty town, another picturesque nativity scene of this Divine Coast, its immaculate cottages a white cascade pouring down to the sea, but above all visitors will be fascinated by the remarkable production of ceramics, an art which here had already reached high levels of refinement in pre-Roman times, and which is exported worldwide.

Finally, if one of the main attractions of the Amalfi Coast is the contrast between the rugged mountains and the sea with its myriad brilliant hues, it is between the mountains and the lush vegetation that visitors discover the last town in this enchanted land, Cava dei Tirreni. The porticos of its medieval city centre are unique throughout Southern Italy. It also contains one of most precious Benedictine monasteries in the world, rich in artistic treasures, relics, codes, parchments and miniatures. The divine Amalfi Coast has thousands of resources, qualities and talents, which ensure a pleasant stay and an unforgettable discovery experience for the tourist. You will find it an enjoyable and joyful experience: a treat not only for your eyes, heart and palate, but also for your mind and your spirit.

AMALFI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Anghi exit, then towards the Valico di Chiunzi; or Castellammare exit, then S. S. 366 to Agerola, then follow the signs to Amalfi; or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana; motorway A 30: Pagani exit, then Valico di Chiunzi; from Salerno: S. S. 163 Amalfitana

By train

Railway, station of Salerno

Bus service

From Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.873.62.11

Police Station - Tel. 089.873.62.09, 873.62.10

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.871.022

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy of the Arsenali, p.za dei Dogi, 34 - Tel. 089.871.063

Pharmacy of the Cervo, p.za Duomo, 42 - Tel. 089.871.045

Municipal library, Tel. 089.871.170, 873.62.19

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, c.so delle Repubbliche Marinare, 19/21 - Tel/fax 089.871.107; www.amalfitouristoffice.it

Travel agencies

"Divina Costiera", p.za Flavio Gioia, 3 - Tel. 089.872.467, fax 871.254;

"Financial Tour Travel", via Lorenzo d'Amalfi, 31 - Tel. 089.871.046, 872.583

"Mara Touring", vico dei Pastai, 9 - Tel. 089.873.498, fax 830.41.84; info@touringpoint.it - www.touringpoint.it

"Tarenò Travel", L.go Scario, 2 - Tel. 089.871.942, fax 873.68.67; info@tarenotravel.com - www.tarenotravel.com

Congress facilities

Salone Morelli (1 hall, 90 seats) c/o Municipio di Amalfi, Arsenali della Repubblica - Tel. 089.873.62.11

"Il Saraceno" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats), via G. Augustariccio, 33 - Tel. 089.831.148, fax 831.595; info@saraceno.it - www.saraceno.it

"Santa Caterina" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats), S. S. Amalfitana, 9 - Tel. 089.871.012, fax 871.351; info@hotelsantacaterina.it - www.hotelsantacaterina.it

"Grand Hotel Excelsior" ★★★★★ (3 halls, 500 seats), via Papa Leone X, 1 - Tel. 089.830.015, fax 830.085; excelsior@excelsior-hotel.it - www.excelsior-hotel.it

"Luna - Torre Saracena" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats), via P. Comite, 33 - Tel. 089.871.002, fax 871.333; info@lunahotel.it - www.lunahotel.it

Sites and monuments

The Cathedral, Amalfi's sumptuous "Duomo", is bedecked in early XVIII c. Baroque finery – polychrome marbles and an elegant coffered ceiling decorated with paintings – which dazzles and delights, but conceals the original Romanesque church. The whole of the interior is dedicated to and celebrates the figure of the apostle Andrew, who is buried here. Andrew was the fisherman from Lake Tiberias who, together with James, first met Jesus. These are XVIII c. paintings that illustrate moments of his life; by Andrea D'Asta: Saint Andrew's flagellation and crucifixion; the "miracle of the manna"; the Saint being laid in the tomb, and *Sant'Andrea in Croce* (*St. Andrew on the Cross*) – which is on the altar; two images in the transept, painted by Castellano: the Saint's vocation, and the miraculous fishing trip. There is also a splendid XVI c. reliquary bust, chiselled in silver, which is kept in a lateral niche.

Among the other masterpieces, at the end of the left nave there is a mother-of-pearl crucifix from Jerusalem; the baptismal font (an ancient porphyry basin, probably from an ancient Roman villa); two ancient granite columns from the Paestum

excavations and, on the altar, a miraculous statue of the Virgin Mary: the biography of Saint Alfonso Maria de' Liguori recounts the religious ecstasy he experienced during a sermon, when he was pierced by a ray of light shining from the face of the Madonna. The crypt contains the bones of the Apostle, which, since 1304, have exuded a dew-like substance, or "manna". This is collected in a crystal ampoule, and is believed to have miraculous qualities.

Basilica del Crocifisso (IX c.) is the oldest cathedral. Dedicated to the Madonna Assunta and to Saints Cosma and Damian, it was built on a pre-existing ancient Christian structure, of which a few columns and capitals are extant. Today it houses the Diocesan Museum of Sacred Art (see *Museums* in the next column), exhibiting the Treasures of the Cathedral (silverware, sacred vestments, wooden sculptures, mosaics) and objects and masterpieces from the Paradise Cloister.

Chiostro del Paradiso (Paradise Cloister) (XIII c.), an elegant cloister in typical Arabic style, with slender white columns, which is entered via the atrium of the Cathedral. It was built by the Amalfi gentry as a burial ground (in the Middle Ages the term "Paradise" was used for a graveyard connected to a church and surrounded by a portico). Here sculptures from different ages peep out among the plants, offering exceptionally beautiful sights, while the galleries house important Roman and medieval works: two ancient columns bearing eagles, the

sarcophagus of the decurion P. Ottavio Rufo, two Roman sarcophagi (one decorated with the wedding of Peleus and Thetis, the other with the rape of Prosperina), a XIV c. sarcophagus and fragments of the façade of the Cathedral.

Arsenali della Repubblica

Church and bell tower of Santa Maria Maggiore

Cloister of San Pietro a Tuzolo

(in the Hotel dei Cappuccini)

Cloister of the Padri Minori Conventuali

(now Hotel Luna)

Castle, Remains of the Tower (Pogerola)

Tower of the Tumolo or Capo d'Atrani

Tower Capo di Vettica or Capo della Vite

Aristocratic palace of Contrada Valleluna

Church and Bell Tower of San Michele (Pogerola)

Church and Bell Tower of San Pietro (Tovere)

Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie (Pogerola)

Fountain 'del Popolo'

Church of Santa Maria Addolorata

Medieval Village, old town centre

Nature and surroundings

Valle dei Mulini (Valley of the Mills) The built-up area is unmistakable and picturesque because of the way the buildings cling to the rocky spurs of the Monti Lattari, creeping into the narrow Valle dei Mulini



with roads, alleys and narrow flights of steps, “*scalinatele*”, which wind along the hillside and slink among houses and splendid terraced gardens; every corner, every narrow alleyway and every little piazza offers unusual views and silent picturesque sights. This is the scenery that has been enchanting generations of travellers, *the* romantic landscape, where the mildness of the climate and the beauty of the houses snuggling up to each other go hand in hand with the harsh and apparently inhospitable nature of the mountains rising steeply above the sea.

Valle delle Ferriere (Valley of the Ironworks) nature reserve (see Comune di Scala; www.valledelleferriere.it)

Typical products

Lemon “Costa d’Amalfi” IGP, Wine “Costa d’Amalfi” DOC

Limoncello & C:

Coop. Amalfitana for citrus processing “La Valle dei Mulini”, via delle Cartiere 55/57 - Tel. 089.873.211; cata@starnet.it - www.cata.amalfi.it

Handicraft

Paper:

“**Cartiera Amatruda**”, via delle Cartiere, 100 - Tel. 089.871.315, fax 830.42.33; info@amatruda.it - www.amatruda.it

Events

“**Amalfi Grand Carnival**”, Shrove Tuesday: a parade of dancers in fancy dress and small hand-crafted carnival floats

“**Festival of San Giuseppe Lavoratore**” (St Joseph the Worker) 19th March: religious services in the small church dedicated to St Joseph (Piazza dei Dogi) and a cheery bonfire at the end of the evening.

Holy Week Rites: Maundy Thursday, “Way of the Cross”: a sombre procession of hooded figures who set off from Atrani and follow the steps of Christ’s passion. Good Friday, “Mystery Procession”: the cortege of “Battenti”, or Flagellants, walks through the town, in the flickering light of the torches, followed by a heart-rending penitential choir, to accompany the dead Christ to the sepulchre together with his grieving Mother.

“**Historical Regatta of the Ancient Maritime Republics**”, 1st Sunday in June (every 4 years): preceded by a magnificent parade in costume, this is a spectacular historical re-enactment of a regatta between four Italian maritime super-powers (X-XVIII c.) Amalfi, Pisa, Genoa and Venice.

“**Festival of Sant’Antonio da Padova**”, June 13th: the statue of St Anthony of Padua is carried out of the church dedicated to him (annexed to the Hotel Luna) and along a stretch of the procession route, before being embarked to continue the route via sea, followed by a striking procession of boats, a musical band, and fireworks.

“**Festival of Sant’Andrea Apostolo**”, 27th June, in memory of the miracle of 1544. Legend has it that on that day the Turkish fleet of the ferocious pirate Redbeard tried to attack the village, but St Andrew the Apostle called up a tempest that dispersed the enemy ships. A solemn procession in which the statue of St Andrew is borne from the church to the beach, to reiterate the villagers’ prayers to protect them and bless the sea and the fishermen, to the sound of the sirens of the myriad boats bobbing in the water. In the evening, illuminations, music and fireworks conclude the celebrations.

“**Sundays on the Amalfi Coast**”, from May to December: a day out to discover the local wildlife, history and traditions, accompanied by scholars and experts, learning about the landmarks and hidden treasures of the Amalfi Coast (www.ledomenicheincostadamalfi.it).

“**Live Music**” (Piazza dei Dogi), every Wednesday and Friday in the summer

“**Open-Air Cinema**”, (Parco La Pineta) July-September

“**Potato Festival**” (Tovere), August.

“**Amalfi on Stage**” (Tel. 089.873.62.11, 871.107; www.comune.amalfi.sa.it), August

“**Amalfi by Night**”, every Saturday in August: shows, music and animation in the ‘vicoli’ and ‘piazzette’ – alleyways and little piazzas – of the old town centre.

“**The Magic of the Emerald Grotto**” (at the Grotta dello Smeraldo wharf), every Thursday in August: music, dance, shows, and tastings of typical local products

“**Fashion by the Sea**” (Lungomare dei Cavalieri), August

“**Ferragosto on the Beach - Disco Music**” (Spiaggia Grande), August 15th

“**Pumpkin and Courgette Festival**”, (Pogerola), 18th and 19th August

“**Smeraldo Prize**”, mid September: a prize for TV direction

“**Potato Festival**”, (Tovere), late August

“**Byzantine New Year**”, September 1st

“**Concerts of the Paradise Cloister**”, first 10 days in September Piano master class, concert by the students

“**Settembrata Vettichese Festival**”, (Vettica), late September

“**Christmas Celebrations**”, from December 8th to January 6th: a rich calendar of religious services and society events (art exhibitions, tastings of typical local products, folk and musical events, theatre, folklore parades with bands playing the traditional ‘putipù’, pageants ‘pastorelli’, or little shepherds...). This is a magical time of the year: every church and every picturesque nook and cranny revives the ancient tradition of the crib, or nativity scene. Most have terracotta or ceramic figurines; sea-lovers will appreciate the moving underwater pilgrimage to the crib beneath the luminous waters of the Emerald Grotto); there are also living nativity scenes, enacted by the faithful, e.g. the famous living crib of Pogerola.

“**The Descent of the Star**”, (December 24th in the Piazza): i.e. “the descent of the Comet Star from the Tower of Ziro on Mount Tabor”. At midnight a large comet made of torches flies over Piazza Duomo and glides down into the atrium of the cathedral, amidst a triumphant pealing of bells and an apotheosis of fireworks, before High Mass is celebrated in the Cathedral.

“**Amalfi New Year**”, (December 31st in the Piazza) the loud, cheerful parade of folk groups begins at 11.30 p.m., culminates with fireworks over the sea as midnight strikes in the New Year, and continues until sunrise, with music, singing and dancing. The following day the groups continue their performances in the piazzas, using poetry and music to wish residents and tourists a happy new year.

“**Celebrations for the Epiphany**”, January 6th in the morning the Pageant of the “Pastorelli” (little shepherds) takes place; in the afternoon folk groups put on a performance; in the evening the “Descent of the Star” is staged again, and the Baby Jesus is taken back into the Cathedral.

Typical markets

Every Wednesday except in August

Museums

Paper Museum, Via delle Cartiere, 24 - Tel. 089.830.45.61; www.museodellacarta.it
Opening Hours: from March to October, 10.00 - 18.30 daily (including Sunday); from November to February, 10.00-15.30 daily (except Monday).
Admission: €3,50; students €2,50; the fee includes a guided tour and practical demonstrations. The guides speak English and French. Groups may book guided tours in German and Dutch. This medieval

(XIII c.) paper mill stores the fascinating history of paper production dating back to ancient times. In this atmospheric building visitors can watch sheets of paper being hand-made and see the ancient water-mills driven by the power of the torrent Canneto.

Municipal Museum (at the Town Hall), Piazza Municipio - Tel. 089.873.62.11
Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 8.00-13.30; Tuesday and Thursday: also 16.30-19.00. Admission is free.
The famous “Tabula Civitatis Malphae”, i.e. the text of the first maritime code is kept here. The traditional costumes used in the annual historic Regatta of the Ancient Maritime Republics are conserved in the hall.

Diocesan Museum (at the Cathedral), Salita Episcopio, 1 - Tel. 089.871.324; www.diocesiamalficava.it
Opening Hours: 10.00-17.00 daily; in the summer: 9.00-21.00 daily
Admission: adults €2,50; children €1. It is located in the ancient Basilica del Crocefisso (VI c.), next to the present Cathedral, and is accessed via the Paradise Cloister. Fine objects relating to the religious history of the ancient diocese of Amalfi are kept here: a *Madonna col Bambino (Madonna with Child)* (XV c. fresco), a silver altar frontal (XVIII c.) and an Angevin mitre, in gold, silver, jewels, glass paste, pearls and enamel (the surfaces without jewels are densely covered in a total of 19.330 seed pearls). It is the most valuable mitre of medieval Europe, made at the Court of Naples before 1297 for Ludwig, son of Charles II, who had become Bishop of Toulouse.

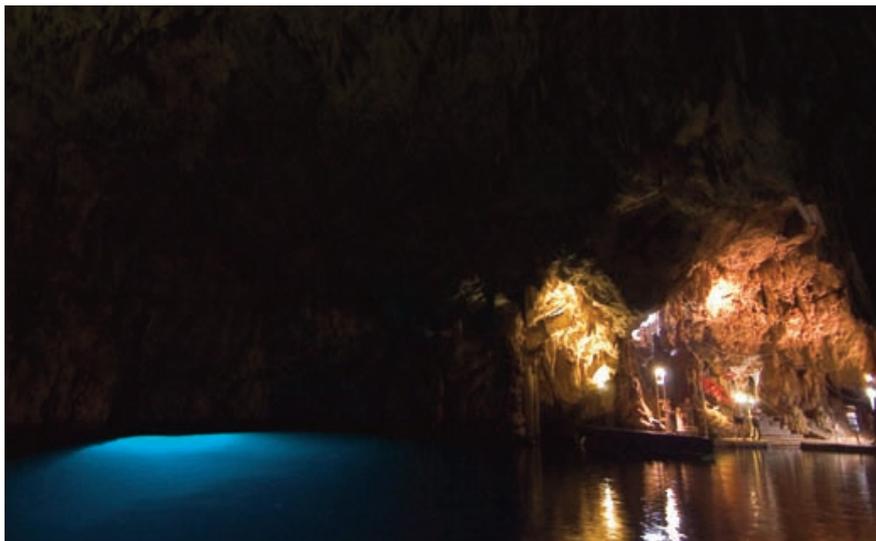
Museum of Peasant Art, Via delle Cartiere, 55/57 - Tel. 089.873.211
Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 9.00 - 13.00; 15 - 18.30; Saturday: 9.00 - 13.00.
Visits may also be requested and booked for Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings.
Admission is free. In this delightful little museum, as well as old machines being powered by the waters of the torrent Canneto, visitors can see testimonials, memorabilia and tools of the old peasant culture of the Amalfi Coast.

Museum of the Sea, Piazzale dei Protontini - Tel. 089.871.524, 339.289.76.50 (manager Giuseppe Camera, master carpenter)
Opening Hours: daily in the morning. Admission is free. A collection of Amalfi fishing and leisure boat models from 1850 to the present.

Hotels

“**Il Saraceno**” ★★★★★ (56 rooms), via G. Augustariccio, 33 - Tel. 089.831.148, fax 831.595; info@saraceno.it - www.saraceno.it
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- "Santa Caterina" ★★★★★** (62 rooms),
 S. S. Amalfitana, 9 - Tel. 089.871.012, fax 871.351;
 info@hotelsantacaterina.it -
 www.hotelsantacaterina.it
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- "Bellevue Suite" ★★★★★** (20 rooms), S. S. 163, 26 -
 Tel. 089.831.349, fax 831.568;
 info@hotelresidencebellevue.it -
 www.hotelresidencebellevue.it
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- "Grand Hotel Excelsior" ★★★★★** (105 rooms),
 via Papa Leone X, 1 - Tel. 089.830.015, fax 830.085;
 excelsior@excelsior-hotel.it - www.excelsior-hotel.it
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- "Luna - Torre Saracena" ★★★★★** (43 rooms),
 via P. Comite, 33 - Tel. 089.871.002, fax 871.333;
 info@lunahotel.it - www.lunahotel.it
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- "Marina Riviera" ★★★★★** (34 rooms),
 via P. Comite, 19 - Tel. 089.871.104, fax 871.024;
 info@marinariviera.it - www.marinariviera.it
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- "Miramalfi" ★★★★★** (49 rooms), via S. Quasimodo, 3 -
 Tel. 089.871.588, fax 871.287; info@miramalfi.it -
 www.miramalfi.it
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- "Piccolo Paradiso" ★★★★★** (6 rooms),
 via M. Camera, 5 - Tel. 089.873.001, fax 872.973
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- "Amalfi" ★★★** ((40 rooms), vico dei Pastai, 3 -
 Tel. 089.872.440, fax 872.250; hamalfi@starnet.it -
 www.hamalfi.it
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- "Aurora" ★★★** (29 rooms), p.le dei Protontini, 7 -
 Tel. 089.871.209, fax 872.980; info@aurora-hotel.it -
 www.aurora-hotel.it
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- "Centrale" ★★★** (17 rooms), l.go Duchi Piccolomini, 1 -
 Tel. 089.872.608, fax 871.243;
 www.amalfihotelcentrale.it -
 amalfihotelcentrale@msn.com
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- "dei Cavalieri" ★★★** (54 rooms), via M. Comite, 32 -
 Tel. 089. 831.333, fax 831.354;
 info@hoteldeicavalieri.it - www.hoteldeicavalieri.it
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- "Floridiana" ★★★** (7 rooms), via Brancia, 1 -
 Tel/fax 089.873.63.73, info@hotelfloridiana.it -
 www.hotelfloridiana.it
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- "Fontana" ★★★** (20 rooms), p.za Duomo, 7 -
 Tel. 089.871.530, fax 830.45.62;
 info@hotel-fontana.it - www.hotel-fontana.it
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- "Il Nido" ★★★** (15 rooms), via S. Quasimodo, 30 -
 Tel. 089.871.148, fax 872.103; info@hoteliinido.it -
 www.hoteliinido.it
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"La Bussola" ★★★ (60 rooms), via Lungomare dei Cavalieri, 16 - Tel. 089.871.533, fax 871.369; info@labussolahotel.it - www.labussolahotel.it


"La Ninfa" ★★★ (6 rooms), via M. Comite, 35 - Tel. 089.831.127; info@hotelaninfa.it - www.laninfa.com


"L'Antico Convitto" ★★★ (15 rooms), salita dei Curiali, 4 - Tel. 089.871.849, fax 949.311.59; info@lanticconvitto.com - www.lanticconvitto.com


"La Pergola" ★★★ (12 rooms), via G. Augustariccio, 14 - Tel/fax 089.831.088; info@lapergolaamalfi.it - www.lapergolaamalfi.it


"Lidomare" ★★★ (18 rooms), l.go Duchì Piccolomini, 9 - Tel. 089.871.332, fax 871.394; info@lidomare.it - www.lidomare.it


"Residence" ★★★ (27 rooms), c.so delle Repubbliche Marinare, 9 - Tel. 089.871.183, 872.229, fax 873.070; info@residencehotel-amalfi.it - www.residencehotel-amalfi.it

"Villa Annalara Relais" ★★★ (5 rooms), via delle Cartiere, 1 - Tel. 089.871.147, fax 871.926; info@villaannalara.it - www.villaannalara.it


"La Conchiglia" ★★ (11 rooms), p.le dei Protontini, 9 - Tel/fax 089.871.856


"Sant'Andrea" ★★ (9 rooms), salita Costanza d'Avalos, 1 - Tel. 089.871.145, fax 871.023


"Villa della Principessa" ★★ (20 rooms), via M. Comite, 26 - Tel. 089.831.333, fax 831.354; info@hoteldeicavalieri.it - www.hoteldeicavalieri.it


Restaurants

"Al Pesce d'Oro", via G. Augustariccio, 56 - Tel. 089.831.231

"Cantina del Nostromo da Zaccaria", via C. Colombo, 15 - Tel. 089.871.807

"da Baracca", p.za dei Dogi, 12 - Tel. 089.871.285

"da Ciccio Cielo Mare Terra", via G. Augustariccio, 17 - Tel. 089.831.265

"da Gemma", via Fra G. Sasso, 10 - Tel. 089.871.345

"da Maria", via Lorenzo d'Amalfi, 14 - Tel. 089.871.880

"da Rispoli", via Riulo, 3 - Tel. 089.830.080

"Il Mulino", via delle Cartiere, 36 - Tel. 089.872.223

"Il Tari", via P. Capuano, 9/11 - Tel. 089.871.832

"Il Teatro", via E. Marini, 19 - Tel. 089.872.473

"La Bussola", via Lungomare dei Cavalieri, 16 - Tel. 089.871.533

"La Caravella", via M. Camera, 12 - Tel. 089.871.029

"La Marinella", via Lungomare dei Cavalieri, 1 - Tel. 089.871.043

"La Preferita", via S. Quasimodo, 22 - Tel. 089.871.443

"La Taverna del Duca", p.za dello Spirito Santo, 26 - Tel. 089.872.755

"Lido Azzurro", via Lungomare dei Cavalieri, 5 - Tel. 089.871.384

"Lido delle Sirene", p.le dei Protontini, 4 - Tel. 089.871.489

"Lo Smeraldino", p.le dei Protontini, 1 - Tel. 089.871.070

"Marina Grande", v.le della Regione, 4 - Tel. 089.871.129

"Ristò", p.za dei Dogi, 37 - Tel. 089.872.625

"Sant'Andrea", p.za Duomo, 26 - Tel. 089.871.023

"Santa Caterina", S. S. Amalfitana, 9 - Tel. 089.871.012

"Silver Moon", c.so delle Repubbliche Marinare, 6 - Tel. 089.872.150

"Stella Maris", v.le della Regione, 2 - Tel. 089.872.463

"Torre Saracena", via Pantaleone Comite, 33 - Tel. 089.871.002

"Trattoria San Giuseppe", via Ruggero II, 4 - Tel. 089.872.640

Room rental

"Al Pesce d'Oro" (7 rooms), via G. Augustariccio, 56 - Tel. 089.831.231, fax 831.684; info@alpescedoro.it - www.alpescedoro.it

"Antica Repubblica" (6 rooms), vico dei Pastai, 2 - Tel. 089.873.63.10, fax 871.926; www.anticarepubblica.it

"Caprice" (7 rooms), via M. Camera, 5 - Tel. 089.873.215, fax 873.295; info@residence-caprice.com - www.residence-caprice.com

"La Ninfa" (6 rooms), via M. Comite, 35 - Tel. 089.831.127, 347.057.007.7

"Le Palme" (2 rooms), salita dello Spinale, 23 - Tel/fax 089.830.45.48; lepalmeamalfi@libero.it - www.lepalmeamalfi.com

"La Preferita" (3 rooms), via S. Quasimodo, 20/22 - Tel/fax 089.871.443; preferita@iol.it - www.preferita.tk

"Locanda Costa d'Amalfi" (6 rooms), via G. Augustariccio, 50 - Tel/fax 089.831.950; info@locandacostadamalfi.it - www.locandacostadamalfi.it

"Meubl  piccolo Paradiso" (6 rooms), via M. Camera, 5 - Tel. 089.873.001

"Oasi Costa d'Amalfi" (5 rooms), via Santa Caterina, 6 (loc. Tovere) - Tel/fax 089.831.043, 349.538.631.5; info@oasicostadamalfi.it - www.oasicostadamalfi.it

"Residenza del Duca" (6 rooms), via Mastalo Il Duca, 3 - Tel/fax 089.873.63.65; info@residenzadelduca.it - www.residenzadelduca.it

"Sharon House", via dei Curiali, 5 - Tel. 089.873.576, fax 873.64.24; info@sharonhouse.it - www.sharonhouse.it

"Villa Annalara" (5 rooms), via delle Cartiere, 1 - Tel. 089.871.147, fax 871.926; info@villaannalara.it - www.villaannalara.it

"Villa Felice" (10 rooms), via Tuoro, 10 - Tel/fax 089.831.946, 832.994; info@villafeliceamalfi.it - www.villafeliceamalfi.it

"Villa Lara" (6 rooms), via delle Cartiere, 1 - Tel/fax 089.873.63.58; info@villalara.it - www.villalara.it

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"Casa Hermosa" (3 rooms), via Papa Leone X, 12/bis - Tel. 089.831.082, fax 830.45.33; www.casahermosa.it

Holiday apartments

"Amalfi Dreams", p.za dei Dogi, 23 - Tel/fax 081.866.45.57; info@amalfidreams.it - www.amalfidreams.it

"Androsa", salita Resinola, 2 - Tel. 089.872.938

"Antica Dimora", via M. Comite, 48 - Tel. 089.871.332; info@amalfianticadimora.it - www.amalfianticadimora.it

"Borgo San Michele", via San Pietro a Dudaro - Tel. 089.831.590

"Casa Caterina", via E. Marini

"Casa delle Rose", via E. Marini, 5 - Tel. 089.723.559

"Casa Duomo", via Supp. Sant'Andrea, 15 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"Casamalfi", via Truglio, 7 - Tel. 089.871.639, 871.551, fax 872.250; info@casamalfi.it - www.casamalfi.it

"Casa Mariuccia", via San Pietro a dudaro, 6 - Tel. 339.820.584.8

"Casa Sarah", via Santa Caterina, 3 - Tel. 089.831.189

"Casa Sopramare", via Sopramare, 31 - Tel. 335.545.165.1

"Casa Tari", salita Vagliandola, 11 - Tel. 06.320.01.56

"Convento San Basilio Relais Srl", Via Casamare, 20 - Tel. 089.872.2346 - fax 089.842.234; info@conventosanbasilio.it - www.conventosanbasilio.it

"Gioia", via Pimenio Vescovo, 3 - Tel. 089.872.408

"Holiday at Amalfi", via E. Marini, 11 - Tel. 349.402.567.2, holidayatamalfi@virgilio.it

"Il Follaro", via G. Augustariccio, 11 - Tel/fax 089.873.191

"Il Giardino di Epicuro", via G. Augustariccio - Tel. 089.831.682, 335.676.141.0; info@epicurogarden.com - www.epicurogarden.com

"Incanto", salita Capoderino, 19

"La Cartiera", via Casamare, 8 - Tel. 339.589.25.51

"L'Altracostiera", via Lorenzo d'Amalfi, 34 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"La Mansarda", via Sant'Angelo dell'Arco, 24 - Tel. 089.872.740; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"Mare e Monti", via E. Marini, 11 - Tel. 349.562.589.8; roccofasciani@yahoo.it - www.villapolis.com

"Marinella", via dei Pastai, 7

"Residence Caleidoscopio", via Papa Leone X - Tel/fax 089.879.28.05

"Rossella", via S. Quasimodo, 5 - Tel. 334.102.278.9

"Torre di Amalfi", via Sopramare, 58

"Villa Santa Croce", via G. Augustariccio, 11 - Tel. 089.831.949

"Villa Santa Rosa", salita Baglio, 63 - Tel. 347.417.28.75

Agritourisms

"Villa Rina" country house (4 rooms), via Maestra dei Villaggi, 66 (loc. Pastena) - Tel/fax 089.831.858, 349.877.523.1; info@amalfivillarina.it - www.amalfivillarina.it

Harbour & tourist landing places

Local Maritime Office of Amalfi, via Lungomare dei Cavalieri, 28 - Tel/fax 089.871.366 (berth for 300, max boat length 50 m)

Molo Foraneo: peak mooring - stretch in concession and stretch reserved for transit
(Mr. Aniello Esposito - Tel. 338.219.342.1)

Wharves:

"Coppola" (Mr. Antonio Coppola - Tel. 089.873.091, 339.422.448.4, 347.349.528.0, 368.610.306; www.pontilecoppolaamalfi.com)

"Esposito" (Mr. Antonio Esposito - Tel. 338.893.526.6)

"Il Faro" (Mr. Carmine Pinto - Tel. 360.278.390, 338.307.612.5, 338.591.082.8)

"Lega Navale - Amalfi delegation"

(Mr. Antonio Milone - Tel. 339.151.610.2); www.lniamalfi.it

Bathing establishments

"Bagni Mar di Cobalto", via Marina Grande - Tel. 089.872.650

"I due Scugnizzi", loc. Duoglie - Tel. 089.872.650

"Lido degli Artisti", v.le delle Regioni, 4 - Tel. 089.873.217

"Lido delle Sirene", p.le dei Protontini - Tel. 089.871.489

"Marina Grande", v.le delle Regioni, 4 - Tel. 089.871.129

"Silver Moon", v.le delle Regioni - Tel. 089.872.150

"Stella Maris", v.le delle Regioni, 2 - Tel. 089.872.463

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How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Angri exit, then towards the Valico di Chiunzi; or Castellammare exit, then S. S. 366 to Agerola, then follow the signs to Amalfi; or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana; motorway A 30: Pagani exit, then Valico di Chiunzi; from Salerno: S. S. 163 Amalfitana

By train

Railway, station of Salerno

Bus service

From Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)



Useful addresses

- City Hall** - Tel. 089.871.185
- Police Station** - Tel. 089.871.487
- Carabinieri** - Tel. 089.871.022 (Amalfi)
- Fire brigade** - Tel. 115
- Medical ambulance** - Tel. 118
- First-aid station** - Tel. 081.936.81.76
- Pharmacy Ala**, c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 31 - Tel. 089.871.969

Tourism bureaus

- Visitors' office**, p.za Umberto I, 9 - Tel. 089.872.479

Sites and monuments

- It measures only 0.9 km², which makes it the smallest Italian village.
- Collegiate Church of Santa Maria Maddalena** (XIII c., later enlarged and restored). A Baroque church built on a medieval fortress as a votive offering by the faithful saved from Saracen occupation. It has a majolica cupola, an elegant square bell tower in dark tuff, with a two-storey belfry. Inside: two 1576 paintings: *La Resurrezione* and *San Pietro e San Paolo*; an early XVI c. painting by Andrea da Salerno *L'Incredulità di S. Tommaso (St Tomas' Disbelief)*; on the main altar the three altar-pieces portray Mary Magdalene and Saints Andrew and Sabatino. Near the church, two massive bronze doors from 1087.
 - Church of Santa Maria del Bando** (XII c., enlarged in 1753 and in the following century). It is built on the rocky spur under the Tower of Ziro, which dominates Atrani and Amalfi. It is called "del Bando" ("of the proclamations") because, during the period of the Republic, sentences and edicts were proclaimed here.
 - Church of the Madonna del Carmine** (XVII c., Via Carmine). A small square bell tower stands next to it. The entrance to the church, which has a single nave, has an ancient organ with a wooden balcony. Inside: marble floor; above, decorations with grotesqueries and angels, and an imposing fresco depicting the Virgin and Child offering the habit to a Franciscan saint; in the presbytery, a marble balustrade and a wooden choir. During Christmas, a gigantic crib is set up here. It is unique, in that the figures, made of papier-mâché, wood and wire, represent real citizens of Atrani who lived here in the past. Most of the statues date back to the XIX c. (to visit the church, ask at the police headquarters, at the Casa Comunale, for directions to the caretaker).
 - Church of the Santissimo Salvatore de' Birecto** (X c., Piazza Umberto I). The 'birecto' was the ducal

headdress solemnly placed on the Doges; it was here that the heads of the Republic of Amalfi were elected, crowned and buried. The medieval structure was modified during the centuries, with the addition of stepped scenery, an elegant atrium, and an ancient bronze door that was cast in Constantinople in 1087. Today its Baroque interior houses some remarkable works of art: from the Byzantine marble pluteus (late XI c.; decorated with a sculpted tree on which a bird is sitting on her eggs, two peacocks, some mermaids and a hare) to the bronze door (1087), which was created in Constantinople, decorated with silver-inlaid shells depicting Christ, the Madonna and Saints; to a tombstone (XV c.) portraying a noblewoman from Atrani.

Nature and surroundings

- Masaniello's Grotto**. On the eastern side of Mount Aureo, this is believed to be the hiding place of the legendary revolutionary who led the Neapolitans to revolt against their Spanish rulers in 1647.
- Grotto dei Santi** (Via Nuova, on the old Atrani-Amalfi pedestrian road). The "Grotto of the Saints" was a rupestrian settlement and may be connected to an ancient monastery (X c.). There are two pictorial decorations dating back to that time, showing two rows of saints, which are more or less visible (the grotto is privately owned and can only be visited by request to the owner).

Vallata del Dragone ('Dragon's Valley')

Typical products

- Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, the piennolo tomatoes: *The tastes of the Coast*
- "**Nastri**", via dei Dogi
- "**Tentazioni della Natura**", via dei Dogi, 36 - Tel. 089.830.45.05
- Anchovies in oil and in salt*:
- "**Pescheria del Doge**" via dei Dogi, 16 - Tel. 089.872.316

Events

- "**Festival of Santa Maria Maddalena**", July 22nd, in honour of Mary Magdalene, Patron Saint of the village, with boats in procession and fireworks over the water.
- "**Festival of 'Pesce Azzurro'**" (Mackerel, Sardine and Anchovy Festival), last week in August party in the piazza, tastings of dishes using local fish and wine; fireworks.
- "**Byzantine New Year**", August 31st end of summer celebration in costume, following ancient Byzantine traditions.

“**Christmas and New Year at Atrani**”, in the small borough the end-of-year festivities are a joyful and moving time, enhanced by fireworks and local dishes. But what really creates the captivating atmosphere is the old crib in the Church of Carmine. During Christmas, a gigantic crib is set up here. It is unique, in that the figures, made of papier-mâché, wood and wire, represent real citizens of Atrani who lived here in the past. Most of the statues date back to the XIX c. (to visit the church, ask at the police headquarters, at the Casa Comunale, for directions to the caretaker).

“**Zeppole and Hot Chocolate**”, December 24th.

Restaurants

“**A Paranza**”, via Dragone, 1 - Tel. 089.871.840

“**La Piazzetta**”, p.za Umberto I, 5 - Tel. 089.871.930

“**Le Arcate**”, Atrani beach - Tel. 089.871.367

“**Le Palme**”, Supportico Marinella, 10 - Tel. 089.871.700

Room rental

“**A Scalinatella**” (4 rooms), via Giardiniello, 12 - Tel. 089.871.492, fax 871.930; info@hostelscalinatella.com - www.hostelscalinatella.com

“**Caruso Eva**” (2 rooms), via G. Di Benedetto, 3 - Tel. 089.872.875, fax 872.310; carusoeva@libero.it

“**L'Argine Fiorito**” (4 rooms), via dei Dogi, 45 - Tel/fax 089.873.630.9, 347.531.115.8; www.larginefiorito.com

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“**Me.fra**”, via Giardiniello, 12 - Tel. 089.873.63.00, 333.423.122.2

“**Roomswithview.com**” (3 rooms), via Pastino, 10 - Tel. 339.766.003.2; www.roomswithview.com

Holiday apartments

“**Il Vicolo**”, via San Sebastiano, 26 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82, info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

“**Maria Lucia**”, via Torricella, 28

CAVA DE' TIRRENI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Cava de' Tirreni exit, then S.S. 18 Tirrena Inferiore

By train

Railway, stations of Salerno and Cava de' Tirreni

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.682.111

Police Station - Tel. 089.682.201, 341.804, 341.692

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.441.010, 341.622

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Municipal library - Tel. 089.682.404

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Accarino, c.so Italia, 309 - Tel. 089.341.815

Pharmacy Baldi, via G. Lamberti, 4 - Tel. 089.461.453

Pharmacy Bifulco, via Vittorio Veneto, 1 - Tel. 089.467.666

Pharmacy Montano, via Filangieri, 2 - Tel. 089.468.94.20

Pharmacy Carleo, c.so Italia, 216 - Tel. 089.341.653

Pharmacy Cammarota, via E. De Filippis, 151 - Tel. 089.462.643

Pharmacy Comunale, via G. Prezzolini, 9 - Tel. 089.441.227

Pharmacy del Corso, c.so Italia, 365 - Tel. 089.464.224

Pharmacy del Duomo, c.so Umberto I, 214/216 - Tel. 089.341.653

Pharmacy del Leone, via Talamo, 25/27 - Tel. 089.467.713

Pharmacy Lombardi, via XXV luglio, 146 - Tel. 089.468.84.99

Pharmacy San Giuseppe, via XXV luglio, 196 - Tel. 089.445.63.73

Pharmacy Sessa, via Adinolfi (loc. S. Pietro) - Tel. 089.561.648

Pharmacy Penza, c.so Italia, 16 - Tel. 089.344.316

Municipal archives and library, v.le Marconi, 54 - Tel. 089.463.645

Library and archives Badia di Cava - Tel. 089.463.922

Franciscan library (St. Francis Convent) - Tel. 089.344.313

Library S. Maria dell' Olmo, c.so Umberto I, 13 - Tel. 089.344.332

Tourism bureaux

Local Tourist Office, Cava de' Tirreni, Piazza De Marinis 6 - Tel. 089.341.605, 800.016.735, fax 089.463.723; www.cavaturismo.sa.it

Travel agencies

"Ipanema Viaggi" (tours and incoming), via Montefusco, 12 - Tel. 089.444.079, fax 441.044; admin@ipanemaviaggi.it - www.ipanemaviaggi.it, www.gtincoming.com

"Metelliana Viaggi", via Vittorio Veneto, 180 - Tel. 089.344.136, fax 349.545; agenzia@metellianaviaggi.it - www.metellianaviaggi.it

"A.P.M. Tour operator", via A. Sorrentino, 31 - Tel. 089.444.613, 463.999, 468.71.84

"Cridan Viaggi", via A. Lamberti, 12 - Tel. 089.343.955, fax 343.920; cridan.viaggi@virgilio.it

"Amalfitana Leo Viaggi", c.so Principe Amedeo, 13 - Tel. 089.345.081, fax 462.989; info@amalvi.it

"Tirren Travel", via P. Atenolfi, 39 - Tel. 089.341.807, 341.666, fax 341.878; tirrentravel@virgilio.it

"Spazio 1999", via Castaldi Martelli, 8 - Tel. 089.468.90.68, fax 468.88.24; info@spazio1999.191.it

"Spazio 1999", c.so Umberto I, 54 - Tel. 089.468.91.53, fax 445.46.84; spazio1999borgo@virgilio.it

Congress facilities

"Scapolatiello" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 40 seats), p.za Risorgimento, 1 - Tel. 089.443.611, fax 444.780; info@hotelscapolatiello.it - www.hotelscapolatiello.it

"Victoria" ★★★★★ (1 hall), c.so Mazzini, 4 - Tel. 089.465.048, fax 465.327; info@victoria-hotel.it - www.victoria-hotel.it

"Pineta Castello" ★★★ (1 hall, 200 seats), via Pineta la Serra, 45 - Tel. 089.340.044, fax 340.045, info@hotelpinetacastello.it - www.hotelpinetacastello.it

"Villa Al Rifugio" ★★★ (2 halls, 260 seats), via San Giuseppe al Pennino, 16 - Tel. 089.345.097, Tel/fax 344.365, 338.139.924.9; info@villairifugio.it - www.villairifugio.it

Sites and monuments

Abbey of Santissima Trinità, Via Morcaldi 4 - Tel. 089.463.922; nestling in the narrow valley of the stream Selano, a few kilometres away from Cava, this Benedictine abbey is the very symbol of the town, its greatest achievement and glory. It was built in the place to which the hermit St Alferio Pappacarbone had retired (XI c.), and although it was largely restructured during the XVII-XVIII centuries, many extraordinary features of its original medieval structure are still extant, from the little

cloister to the chapels, from the Longobard cemetery to a beautiful XII c. ambo, a gift from the king of Sicily, Ruggero II. Of considerable interest: a XII c. ambo with mosaic; the two Renaissance bas-reliefs depicting St Mathew and St Felicity; the XVII c. altar in polychrome marbles in the Chapter of the Sacrament; the Grotto of St Alferio with the urn containing his relics, and remains of XIV c. wall frescos; the Sacristy, which is entered through a Renaissance portal, furnished with XVIII c. furnishings; the XIII c. Romanesque Cloister, adorned with Roman sarcophagi; the great hall used as a Museum; the Library, which holds over 50,000 volumes, with precious incunabula and cinquecentine; the Archive, which contains precious codes and manuscripts, over 15,000 parchments and a considerable number of unique documents.

Borgo Scacciaventi: with the superb façades of its historic residences built between the XV and XVIII c., this picturesque village still retains the atmosphere of nobility and political, historical, cultural and economic importance that it acquired in the XV c. It is still a thriving centre for visitors and arts and crafts.

Church of San Pietro (XI c.), known as San Pietro a Siepi, this is one of the best-preserved medieval churches. Restructured in the XVIII c., its linear façade contains a portal from that period with lateral frescos. Inside: coffered ceiling (XVIII c.) ; *Crocifisso* (1689) by the sculptor Giacomo Colombo; in the sacristy, exceptional marble bas-reliefs (XVI c.) by the local sculptor Ambrogio della Monica; in the adjoining room a museum housing a rich and interesting collection of artefacts.

Church of San Francesco e Sant'Antonio (XVI c.) has been damaged several times, by wartime events and natural disasters. It was almost razed to the ground in the 1980 earthquake. All that was saved was the façade with the fine bell tower dating from 1571, which is almost 36 m tall (it had a further two tiers before it lost them to another earthquake, in 1694); the transept area and the sacristy. This has been frescoed, probably by a painter of Corenzio's workshop (XVII c.). The transept is richly decorated: it contains the remains of the frescos by Francesco Autoriello (1862); a XVIII c. marble altar; various sculptures of excellent workmanship; a wooden chorus by Giovan Marino Vitale (1534). The area which is still semi-destroyed contains general Pietro Carola's funerary monument from 1688; the main façade still has the wooden portal and wings created by Giovan Marino Vitale and Marcantonio Ferrari in 1528. Since 1966 the monastery also holds a relic of St Anthony, from Padua, which is exposed on the 13th of the

month (the day dedicated to the Saint of Padua). The new monastery contains a celebrated monumental crib, one of the largest in the world; it covers over 1000 m² and has numerous XVII c. figurines. To visit www.conventofrancescanocava.it or Tel. 089.344.313/344.829, or ask for Frate Gigino. 339.785.09.15). The library contains manuscripts, illuminated codices, choir books, incunabula, and over 15,000 volumes, tracts and periodicals.

Church of San Giacomo (or Santa Maria della Pietà, XV c.), the oldest church of Borgo Scacciaventi. The façade of San Giacomo (St James) dates back to 1739. Before the entrance there is a small portico with a barrel vault that emphasises the triumphant arch of the façade. XVIII c. stuccos adorn the vault above the portal and the keystones of the arch. The bell gable with saddle roof is hidden from sight. The interior has a rectangular plan; the central altar is in polychrome marble; there is an interesting holy water stoup (XV c.). The bronze bust in the public gardens near Piazza De Marinis is of Mamma Lucia, a resolute and compassionate woman who, after World War II, dedicated herself to digging up from the hillsides of Cava the bodies of soldiers on both sides who had died in battle after September 8th 1943. Today the church, which is no longer used for worship, houses art exhibitions.

Church of San Rocco (XVI c.). Built as a votive offering after a plague, the original building was destroyed by WW II bombs, but the wooden parts of the

original XVI c. church are kept in the sacristy, on the southern side.

Church of Purgatorio (XVIII c., restructured in the XIX-XX c.) has a single nave.

Church of Santa Maria del Quadriviale (XIV c., restructured in the XVI sec.); it stands next to a crossroads, and that is the meaning of its name. The XVI c. façade and the six-storey bell tower with its little cupola covered in majolica, adorned with sculptural elements, is a good example of the Renaissance architecture produced by the master builders of Cava. Adjacent to it is the oratory of the congregation with the same name, with wooden stalls and a fine painted ceiling. The rooms below were a pilgrims' hospice, as it is close to the ancient Via Maggiore, which still leads through the mountains to Salerno.

Castle of Sant'Adiutore (maybe VIII c.), built by the Longobard princes, it was designed as their stronghold in a series of towers, ramparts and walls that crossed the areas of Sella, Borrello and Campitello up to Arco, which the "Via Maggiore" ran through. Later it was under the authority of the monastery of the SS Trinità (Holy Trinity), and was dwelt in by a monk and a layman who commanded the garrisons. After that it was used as a defensive post against enemy attacks, but it began falling into disuse in the XVII c. During WW II it was mistakenly believed to be a German stronghold and was therefore razed to the ground by Anglo-American fighter-bombers. Every summer a fantastic firework



display is staged at the Castle, to conclude the celebrations for the miracle which, in 1656, saved Cava from the plague.

Cathedral ('Duomo') (XVI c.)

Church of S. Maria dell'Olmo of the Philippine Fathers

Sanctuary of Maria Avvocata (Badia di Cava) of the Benedictine Fathers of Cassino

Nature and surroundings

"Diecimare Nature Park", Via San Felice, 9 - Tel. 089.562.636 info@parcodiecimare.it - www.parcodiecimare.it

Created to protect nature, the environment and the landscape; for the promotion and organisation of tourism for recreational, educational, scientific and cultural ends; and to protect and enhance local wildlife. The territory of the Park includes the reliefs of Monte Caruso, Forcella della Cava, part of Poggio and Monte Cuculo and the Montagnone. Geologically, the Park can be divided into two areas: Monte Caruso (limestone) and Forcella della Cava (dolomite and dolomitic limestone). The WWF here offers many educational activities to support learning about the environment. It gives teachers, school children and visiting groups the opportunity to engage with nature and the surrounding environment in a way that is practical, direct and stimulating. The Park, covering 444 hectares, contains the following facilities: visitors centre, nature trail with teaching panels, a fauna study area for the roebuck, a teaching area for the bumble-bee, an orchid garden, a 'green' classroom, and a picnic area.

Excursions: to Monte Castello (454 m), a medieval castle, which in ancient times was a fortress and is the mainstay of one of the most celebrated town festivities, dominating the whole of the valley; to Monte San Liberatore (466 m); to Colle San Martino (277 m).

Comfortable roads connect Cava de' Tirreni to the villages and hamlets of the Valle Metelliana, offering a variety of nature trails. Bracing walks are organised during the year. They lead to the Valle of S. Liberatore, the small village of Croce, the Annunziata, Santa Maria a Toro, the pinewood "Pineta La Serra", Arco, Borrello, Campitello, Sant'Anna, the hermitage of San Martino, the Grottos of Bonea, the hermitage of the Avvocata (which stands out above Maiori and the Amalfi Coast).

Climbs: To Monte Sant'Angelo di Cava (1130 m), to Pietrapiana or Montagnone (982 m); to the northern peak of Monte Pertuso, or Finestra (1145

m); to the southern peak of Monte Finestra (1049 m), to the Santuario (873 m) and to Monte dell'Avvocata (1014 m); to the pass Valico della the Foce or of Pellezzano (512 m); and to the Creste Orientali ridges (697 m).

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC (wine "Metello"), the piennolo tomatoes, vinegar marinade spleen, sweets ("confettoni": sugar coated chocolate pralines)

Events

"Tromboners Contest", first weekend in July

"Music Courses" (Tel. 089.349.878; www.jacoaponapoli.it), August - September

"Florinella's Wedding", mid July: costume representation of a wedding cortege.

"Festival of the Towers", late July-early August review of foreign folklore groups

"Festival of Monte Castello", one week after the feast of Corpus Domini (June): religious festival in honour of the Holy Sacrament (organised by the Ente Monte Castello, Tel. 089.466.249); it is also a folklore festival, with a costume parade of groups from different districts.

"Lectura Dantis Metelliana" October - November (at the Aula Consiliare of the Palazzo di Città; www.lecturadantismetelliana.com)

"Nature Trails" (in collaboration with the Italian Alpine Club), October to June, walks around Cava and its hamlets

"Crib Exhibitions and Contest", December

Typical markets

Antique trade market (at borgo Scacciaventi), the first Sunday of the month and the afternoon of the Saturday before

Museums

"Museum of the Badia Benedettina della SS Trinità", Via Morcaldi 4 - Tel. 089.463.922 The museum of the Benedictine Abbey houses numerous works of art from the Abbey, including some works in ivory, several painted panels, canvases, silver and bronze objects, ceramics and majolicas, sarcophagi and other Roman artefacts, coins, illuminated codices, and finally a XIV c. sculpture by Tino da Camaino (for guided visits: Associazione Millennium, Tel. 089.468.468, 348.005.68.00; www.milleannorum.com).

"Museum of Peasant Culture", Piazza Baldi (S. Lucia) - Tel. 089.461.553 houses a collection of agricultural

tools and material for the craft of making string and rope, which in the past brought fame to the town.

"Ceramics Exhibition", Via Caliri 2 - Tel. 089.463.318 (organised by the Consorzio Ceramisti Cavese).

"Museum of Santa Maria del Quadruviale" (c/o Parish of San Pietro a Siepi), San Pietro - Tel. 089.561.272

Hotels

"Scapolatiello" ★★★★★ (44 rooms), p.za Risorgimento, 1 - Tel. 089.443.611, fax 444.780; info@hotelscapolatiello.it - www.hotelscapolatiello.it



"Victoria" ★★★★★ (35 rooms), c.so Mazzini, 4 - Tel. 089.465.048, fax 465.327; info@victoria-hotel.it - www.victoria-hotel.it



"Pineta Castello" ★★★ (17 rooms), via Pineta la Serra, 45 - Tel. 089.340.044, fax 340.045, info@hotelpinetacastello.it - www.hotelpinetacastello.it



"Villa Al Rifugio" ★★★ (20 rooms), via San Giuseppe al Pennino, 16 - Tel. 089.345.097, Tel/fax 344.365, 338.139.924.9; info@villaalrifugio.it - www.villaalrifugio.it



Restaurants

"Al Rifugio", via San Giuseppe al Pennino, 16 - Tel. 089.344.365

"Aquila d'Oro", c.so Principe Amedeo, 183 - Tel. 089.441.245

"Arcara", via R. Lambiase, 7 - Tel. 089.345.177

"Arcobaleno", via XXV luglio, 251 - Tel. 089.463.734

"da Saverio", v.le Crispi 62/65 - Tel. 089.467.750

"Il Giardino", c.so Principe Amedeo, 259 bis - Tel. 089.343.962

"Italian Food", via G. Palumbo, 3 - Tel. 089.342.555

"L'Incanto", via Pineta La Serra, 47 - Tel. 089.561.820

"La Cascina", via Casa Gagliardi, 6 - Tel. 089.467.904

"La Colombaccia" via M. di Florio, 45 - Tel. 089.236.268

"La Foce", via R. Luciano, 1 (loc. Corpo di Cava) - Tel. 089.464.099

Pizzeria fast food **"La Madegra"**, c.so Mazzini, 230 - Tel. 089.467.110

"da Vincenzo", c.so Umberto I, 203 - Tel. 089.341.617

"Montecaruso hotel", via San Felice - Tel. 089.467.817

"Napoleon", c.so Marconi, 28 - Tel. 089.465.908

"Pantarei", c.so Umberto I, 58 (borgo Scacciaventi) - Tel. 089.443.352

"Pappacarbone", via R. Senatore, 30 - Tel/fax 089.466.441

"Parco dei Pini" (2 rooms), via San Felice, 10 - Tel. 089.466.155

"Piccolo Paradiso", via Pietro Ciccullo, 1 - Tel. 089.444.209

"San Vito", c.so Mazzini, 20 - Tel. 089.444.833

"Scapolatiello", p.za Risorgimento, 1 - Tel. 089.443.611

"Taverna Andaluna", via Guerritore, 7/9 - Tel. 089.345.166

"Taverna Scacciaventi", c.so Umberto I, 38 - Tel. 089.443.173

"Via Veneto", via Guerritore, 34 - Tel. 089.465.783
Pizzeria **"Trivento"**, via Canonica Avallone, 48

Agritourism

"Country Club" (3 apartment hotels), via San Felice, 2 - Tel. 089.342.366; saura@microsys.it - www.microsys.it/saura

"La Fontanella" (6 rooms), via Monticello loc. Santa Lucia) - Tel. 089.341.412; info@agriturismolafontanella.it - www.agriturismolafontanella.it

"La Selva" (8 rooms), via Petrellosa, 24 - Tel/fax 089.461.972

"Parco dei Pini" (2 rooms), via San Felice, 10 - Tel/fax 089.466.155

Room rental

"Montecaruso" (14 rooms), via San Felice - Tel. 089.467.817, fax 445.240; info@montecaruso.it - www.montecaruso.it

"Parco dei Pini" (2 rooms), via San Felice, 10 - Tel/fax 089.466.155; www.parcodeipini.net

B&B

"Ferrara Giovanna", v.le G. Armenante, 8

"Villino Castellano", via del Lauro, 3 - Tel/fax 081.878.84.97, 335.666.382.5; castellano@tiscali.it - www.villinocastellano.it

"Ily's" (1 room), via Tiglio, 13 - Tel/fax 089.461.138; info@bedebreakfastilys.it - www.bedebreakfastilys.it

"Mons. Benedetto Salvatore Chianetta", via Morcaldi, 6

"Villa Rifugio" (10 rooms),
via G. Infranzi, 5 (loc. Cammarese) -
Tel/fax 089.344.365; www.villarifugio.it

Holiday apartments

"Sport and Relax", via M. di Florio - Croce

Apartment hotels

"Della Monica", v.le G. Marconi, 29 -
Tel. 089.445.614.4; fondazioneantoniodelamonica@virgilio.it - www.fondazioneantoniodelamonica.it
(this apartment hotel has 18 flatlets mainly housing elderly people at discounted price. From July to September, within the activities in favour of the elderly over sixty-five years old, the Foundation provides 4 beds for one week to favour reunion with relatives residing in Cava or in the neighbouring municipalities, and for allowing the less well-off to spend a holiday here)

Hostels

"Borgo Scacciaventi", p.za San Francesco, 1 -
Tel/fax 089.466.631; cavattirreni@ostellionline.org -
www.ostellionline.org

CETARA

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Vietri sul Mare exit. From Salerno,
S. S. 163 Amalfitana

By train

Railway, stations of Salerno and Vietri sul Mare

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.262.911

Police Station - Tel. 089.262.929

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.210.040 (Vietri)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Conte, c.so Umberto I, 43 - Tel. 089.261.082

Municipal library - Tel. 089.261.832, 262.919



Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office - Tel. 089.261.701

Congress facilities

"Cetus" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 150 seats),
S. S. 163 Amalfitana - Tel/fax 089.261.388;
info@hotelcetus.com - www.hotelcetus.com

Sites and monuments

Viceroy's Tower, built by the Angevins, further fortified by the Aragonese, modified in the following centuries; it defended the town from Saracen raids, and the sea traders from the local pirates. After the disastrous landing of the Turks in 1534, as part of the renewed project to defend the reign, the building was incorporated into a general fortification system, comprising as many as 400 coastal towers along the whole of the South of Italy. As soon as the enemy was sighted, fire signals (at night time) or smoke signals (in daylight) warned the population of the imminent danger. This, like the other coastal watchtowers, was equipped with three bronze canons to keep enemy ships away. They also had "bocche da fuoco", artillery that could fire downwards in case of assault from close quarters or from land.

Church of San Pietro Apostolo (IX-X c.), it has undergone a cyclic history of destruction and rebirth, up to the XVIII c.; its last restoration gave it its current appearance and a Baroque heart. It has an elegant medieval bell tower (XII c.), whose first three stories form a rectangular base for the last two, which are octagonal. Inside: an organ with fine workmanship and mechanical transmission, using the advanced XVIII century techniques. In 1972 the presbytery was enriched with a marble altar containing two silver shrines and the relics of St Andrew and St Trofimena.

Church (ex Monastery) of San Francesco (XIV c.), this complex comprises the church, the cloister (now covered and used as a restaurant), the premises of the Confraternity and the cells above (now town council premises). The church has a single nave and many frescos. Inside: in the apse, *Deposizione*, by the local painter Marco Benincasa; in the nave, the portrait of Suor Orsola Benincasa, who was from Cetara, the venerable founder of the order of nuns Suore Teatine dell'Immacolata Concezione.

Church of the Madonna di Costantinopoli (XIX c. partly rebuilt in 1921; the graceful bell tower is of a later period).

Nature and surroundings

Walks: to the Sanctuary of the Madonna dell'Avvocata; to Cala Fuenti; to the spring Sorgente Rigiulella; to the locality of Cannillo.

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP

Limoncello & C:

"Agrocetus" di Pappalardo Gennaro e C -
Tel. 089.261.797

Anchovy pressing, fish preserves:

"Giordano Ida - Il Nettuno", c.so Umberto I, 64 -
Tel. 089.261.147

"Delfino Battista", c.so Umberto I and c.so Garibaldi -
Tel. 089.261.861

Events

"Festival of San Pietro a Mare" (St Peter at Sea), June 28th-29th: solemn procession in honour of the local Patron Saint and protector of fishermen. Placed on a boat-shaped throne that is borne along by the faithful, the statue of the Apostle proceeds with the swaying rhythm of the statue-bearers, similar to that of a boat at sea. The procession culminates when it reaches the beach, in front of a gaggle of boats in the water. Now the waters in front of the town are blessed, and for three times the statue is made to skim the surface of the sea. The procession concludes with a show of strength and devotion, when the bearers, still carrying the statue, run up the steps of the church dedicated to the Saint to carry his effigy back to its home. The festival is punctuated by fireworks over the sea, both during the procession and at its end, at one o'clock in the morning.

"Tuna Festival", August 9th-12th (for the 4 days of the festival, from the tourist port of Salerno, Molo Masuccio Salernitano, there is a ferry service run by the Cooperativa Sant'Andrea di Amalfi: from 20.00-01.00; for information: Town Council of Cetara, Servizio Informagiovani, Tel. 089.262.919): fishing, gastronomy and the identity of this lovely town, in a fair that celebrates its seafaring tradition. This summer gastronomic extravaganza is dedicated to promoting tuna and "pesce azzurro" ("blue fish", i.e. sardines and related fish), which has always been the mainstay of the economic and social life of Cetara. The event, which also celebrates the return to the town of the tunny fishing boats and the fishermen working to catch the precious Mediterranean bluefin tuna, is organised by the Town Council and by local associations (Pro Loco, www.prolococetara.it; Associazione Amici delle Alici, www.amicidellealici.org; Confraternita del Pesce azzurro; supported by the Province of Salerno, Region of Campania, Chamber of

Commerce, and the Minister for Agricultural Policies). The busy calendar includes: culinary evenings organised by the local restaurateurs, food and wine tastings, stands promoting typical local products (tuna, sardines, anchovy dripping, lemons, limoncello, wine, olive oil); the exhibition and sale of ceramic and wooden hand-crafted objects and model boats; musical evenings; "taste workshops" (to encourage innovation); guided visits to the port and on the tunny fishing boats (booking required, phone the "Servizio Informagiovani" of the Town Council).

"A Night in the Barnyard. Rediscovering Fuenti"

(Fuenti, August 24th and 25th): menus and tastings of typical local products, nature walks, animation...

"Festival and Procession of the Immacolata

Concezione", Festivities for the Immaculate Conception, between the night of December 7th and the morning of December 8th (at 5.00). In the evening before the feast day, the whole village thrills to tradition: it is the custom to spend the night banqueting with friends and relatives and letting off firecrackers, and to stay up all night for the mystical procession of the following morning.

"Rediscovering Traditional Flavours", December:

the event is based around the rediscovery of "colatura d'alicci" (anchovy dripping), a precious condiment that has been produced here since ancient times. The first part of the day is spent on theory (a convention on historic events of Cetara and the entire Amalfi Coast, during which the participants present new recipes using *colatura d'alicci* or other typical local products). This is followed by the practical and culinary part, in which all the restaurants of the town cook recipes based entirely on anchovy dripping.

Typical markets

Market, Tuesdays

Hotels

"Cetus" ★★★★★ (37 rooms), S. S. 163 Amalfitana - Tel/fax 089.261.388; info@hotelcetus.com - www.hotelcetus.com



Restaurants

"Acqua Pazza", c.so Garibaldi, 38 - Tel. 089.261.606

"Al Convento", p.za San Francesco, 15 - Tel. 089.261.039

"Falalalla", S. S. 163 Amalfitana per Amalfi - Tel. 089.261.475

"La Cianciola", p.za Cantone - Tel. 089.261.828

"San Pietro", p.za San Francesco, 2 - Tel. 089.261.091

"Pizzeria Mare Pizza", c.so Garibaldi, 47 - Tel. 089.261.222

Holiday apartments

"Ce. Tour", p.za Martiri Ungheresi, 59 - Tel. 089. 261.042, fax 089.261.977; cetour@cetour.it - www.cetour.it

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local maritime office of Cetara, c.so Federici, 15 - Tel/fax 089.261.136; locamarecetara@tiscali.it; info: City Hall, maritime state property office - Tel. 089.262.921 (mooring reserved for pleasure boats: berth for 50, max boat length 13 m)

CONCA DEI MARINI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 145 to Sorrento peninsula, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast. From Salerno A3, Salerno Centro or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast

By train

Railway, station of Salerno and Castellammare di Stabia

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Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.831.301

Police Station - Tel. 089.831.301

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.871.022 (Amalfi)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Della Monica, S. S. 163 Amalfitana -
Tel. 089.831.102

Tourism bureaux

Visitors' office (marshal Andretta, at the City Hall -
Tel. 089.831.301)

Congress facilities

"La Conca Azzurra" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 25 seats),
via Smeraldo, 35 - Tel. 089.831.242,
Tel/fax 089.831.610; info@concaazzurra.it -
www.concaazzurra.it

Sites and monuments

Saracen Tower (XVI c.), on the small promontory that divides the little beach of the Emerald Grotto cove. Dominating the town, the tower stands in a leafy garden, among olive, lemon and carob trees.

Convent of Santa Rosa (1681), the convent and mother church of Santa Maria di Grado of the Dominican Nuns dominates the whole bay of Sorrento from a cliff top. It is also a museum; from May to September concerts by the Ravello concert society are staged here. A place of seclusion with a grim-looking exterior but a rich, elegant and comfortable interior, in typical Baroque style. Inside: extraordinarily beautiful are the four splendid wooden altars and the rounded gratings in wrought iron and wood of the choir and by the sides of the

main altar, used to protect the privacy of the nuns. Tradition has it that this is the birth place of the famous "*sfogliatella*" pastry, a sweet pastry shell stuffed with custard and diced fruit, named "Santarosa" after this convent.

Church of Sant'Antonio, perched up on the ridge, with a lovely majolica bell tower.

Church of San Pancrazio, here the Madonna del Carmine is worshiped; the poet Alfonso Gatto, from nearby Salerno, used to seek inspiration in the adjacent olive grove. There is a scenic stairway with views over Capri with its Faraglioni and Positano. Inside: many votive offerings for Don Gaetano Amodio, a priest now in odour of sanctity, who was invoked by sailors as their protector in the XVIII century, and who lived and is buried here.

Church of San Giovanni Battista, close to the church there is a narrow country road, nicknamed "the path of the poles", along which St Alfonso Maria de' Liguori loved to walk, reading his breviary, as he went to and fro between the church and the monastery.

Church of San Michele, very old, a single nave, in a green and rocky landscape.

Nature and surroundings

Grotta dello Smeraldo - Emerald Grotto (info - Tel. 089.831.516, 831.301) not far from Amalfi, in the enchanting bay of Conca dei Marini, it was discovered in 1932. Light from above, refracted and diffused, filters through a 12m deep



entrance illuminating the intense emerald green of the grotto. Stalactites and stalagmites, stretching down into the water, afford an extraordinary sight. A splendid Nativity scene lies on the sea bed of the grotto, at a depth of about four metres. From land the grotto can be accessed both via lifts and via a panoramic stairway, and from the sea boats can moor alongside the small jetty at the entrance.

Typical products

The piennolo tomatoes, lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC, Santa Rosa sfogliatelle, rabbit in lemon leaves

Events

"**Festival of Sant'Antonio da Padova**", (June 13th), St Anthony of Padua's religious procession and feast day. In the past, tradition included a devotional procession of *zitelle scapellate* (barefoot maidens, who came here from as far away as Furore imploring the saint for graces and a happy future).

"**Festival of the Sea**" (Marina di Conca, July 23rd), preceded by the sombre homage to all those who have died at sea, in any place and at any time, this festival is a riot of music, folklore and gastronomy.

"**Festival of the Madonna della Neve**" (Our Lady of Snow), (Marina di Conca, August 5th): religious procession on the sea in front of the fishermen's village. On the shore, music and folklore for locals and tourists.

"**Crib and Underwater Procession to the Emerald Grotto**" (first 10 days of December) a moving religious ceremony, when the statue of the Baby Jesus is placed in this underwater crib, escorted by a delegation of divers from Italy and overseas. The divers swim into the grotto through the tunnel that illuminates the grotto and place the Baby in the crib. After this, Mass is celebrated in the presence of civil and military authorities.

Hotels

"**Belvedere**" ★★★★★ (35 rooms), via Smeraldo, 19 - Tel. 089.831.282, fax 831.439; belvedere@belvederehotel.it - www.belvederehotel.it belvedere@belvederehotel.it


"**La Conca Azzurra**" ★★★★★ (10 rooms), via Smeraldo, 35 - Tel. 089.831.242, Tel/fax 089.831.610; info@concaazzurra.it - www.concaazzurra.it


"**Le Terrazze**" ★★★, (27 rooms), via Smeraldo, 11 - Tel. 089.831.290, fax 831.296; info@hotelleterrazze.it - www.hotelleterrazze.it


Restaurants

- "**Belvedere**", via Smeraldo, 19 - Tel. 089.831.282
- "**Capo di Conca**", via Capo di Conca, 5 - Tel. 089.832.088
- "**La Conca Azzurra**", via Smeraldo, 35 - Tel. 089.831.610
- "**La Tonnarella**", via Marina, 1 - Tel. 089.831.939
- "**Polisportiva**", via I Maggio, 14 - Tel. 089.831.515
- "**Risorgimento**", via Marina, 42 - Tel. 089.831.897, via Marina, 42 - tel. 089.831.897

Room rental

"**Locanda degli Agrumi**" (6 rooms), via I maggio, 34 - Tel/fax 089.831.008; locandadegliagrumi@alice.it

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- "**Concha Amalfie**" (2 rooms), via Sant'Angelo, 5 - Tel. 089.831.614
- "**da Claudio**" (3 rooms), via Smeraldo, 67 - Tel. 089.831.621; www.euroconca.it
- "**Rose Villa**" (6 rooms), via Umberto I, 6 - Tel. 089.831.952, fax 832.19.21; info@rosevilla.it - www.rosevilla.it

Holiday apartments

- "**Amalfi 51**", via dei Naviganti - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com
- "**Amalfi Residence**", via Sant'Angelo, 7 - Tel. 089.873.588; info@amalfiresidence.it - www.amalfiresidence.it
- "**Casa Lena**", via Smeraldo, 65 - Tel. 089.831.650
- "**Il Glicine**", via Lecina, 2 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com
- "**La Corte dei Fiori**", via Torre, 10 - Tel. 089.830.522, 333.915.596.2; info@costadivina.it - www.costadivina.it

FURORE

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3 Naples - Salerno, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then S.S. 366 Agerolina

By train

Railway, station of Castellammare di Stabia

Bus service

From Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento

Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.874.100

Police Station - Tel. 089. 874.100

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.871.022 (Amalfi)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy De Gaetano, via Mola, 35 - Tel. 089.831.109

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, Mr. Raffaele Ferreoli (at the Town hall - Tel. 089.874.100, or 348.701.496.1)

Congress facilities

"Furore Inn Resort" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 - 120 seats), via dell'Amore, 1 (p.za Sant'Elia) - Tel. 089.830.47.11, fax 830.47.77; information@furoreinn.it - www.furoreinn.it

Sites and monuments

Church of San Giacomo Apostolo, St James the Apostle, (XI c.), is built on a pre-existing rupestrian chapel, it has three naves and a fine, several storey-high bell tower, topped by a majolicated cusp. In the vaults beneath the right lateral nave, there is an interesting cycle of frescos on the life of St Margaret, attributed to Oderisio, from the School of Giotto.

Church of San Michele Arcangelo, is in Baroque style, albeit elementary, it has three naves with pointed arches, supported by baseless columns. The latter, together with a fresco on the wall of the minor apse, are the remains of a far older structure.

Church of Sant'Elia (XIII c., open on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons), it houses a fine triptych on wood (XV c.) by the painter Angelo Antonello da Capua, depicting the *Vergine con ai lati Sant'Elia e San Bartolomeo* (Virgin with St Elias and St Bartholomew).

Hermitage of Santa Barbara (XIX c., Santa Barbara), a small church, now in very bad structural conditions, built into a natural cavity. Below its

atrium there is a cistern that used to collect spring water. The best-preserved decorations are a *Vergine col Bambino* (Virgin and Child) and two monks.

Nature and surroundings

The Fjord is the dominant element on the coastal landscape. A deep split in the rock, almost a dolomitic landscape, in stark contrast with the sea and the long sandy beach. In the past, a fishermen's village nestled above this cove, clinging to the side of the mountain: dwellings like those of a nativity scene, in one of the most striking sceneries in the world. However, as far back as the XVII century, an unexpected industrial development brought about change. The icy waters of the torrent Schiatio, hurtling down from the Monti Lattari behind the cove, powered the machinery of a paper mill and a public flour mill (there is a good virtual museum of the fjord on www.comunefurore.it). The fjord of Furore once housed busy factories for milling grain and producing paper; further down the valley there is a "spanditoio" or "drying room", used for drying the paper produced. Today in the Vallone (long deep valley), c. 2 km long, visitors can see the old village, the limekiln and the paper-mill, now the premises of an Ecomuseum (with a herbarium and a historical and geographical trail about legumes and cereals). Compared to other similar structures, this paper-mill had an important peculiarity: it was its hydromatic system, which was called "of the Piezometric Tower" (one of the technical advances gleaned from the Saracens). The mill houses the Ecomuseum, but still has the old stone vats used for soaking rags and the canals for the water to flow out.

The two lateral ridges of the Vallone, which are about two hundred metres high, are criss-crossed by a network of pathways. Among them, the "Mad-Bat Path" is a botanical trail that is particularly useful to get to know the local Mediterranean scrub.

Furore is the location of the Documentation Centre "**Paesi Dipinti**" ('Painted Towns') www.paesidipinti.it. This association links Italian places having an artistic heritage of external murals, painted at any time in the past and with any painting technique, theme and artistic standing of the artists. It also houses the cinematic archive, "Museo Costa Diva - Le vie del cinema", an itinerary through film sets which have had the exceptional location of the 'Costiera' (including the film *Amore*, directed by Roberto Rossellini, with Anna Magnani, while the two were having a passionate affair here, in Villa della Storta).

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, Wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC, the piennolo tomatoes

Wines, spirits & distillates:

“Cantine Marisa Cuomo”, via G. B. Lama, 16/18 - Tel. 089.830.348, 830.362, 335.688.679.3, fax 830.401.4; info@granfuror.it - www.granfuror.it

“Nanassino” (prickly pear rosolio): “Hostaria di Bacco”, via G. B. Lama, 9 - Tel. 089.830.360

Sweets:

“Cicale” (almond paste sweets soaked with “nanassino”): “Hostaria di Bacco”, via G. B. Lama, 9 - Tel. 089.830.360

Handicraft

Horn processing

Events

Yearly shows and events are included under the heading **“I Giorni della Cicala - Fun-Filled Days”**.

“World High Diving Championship”, 1st Sunday in July: traditional date with the “Mediterranean Cup High Diving Championship”, a spectacular competition with the world’s greatest divers diving from a 25 metre-high board. Each athlete has three dives, the first is mandatory for everyone, the other two are “freestyle”, with difficulty coefficients in compliance with the table established by the organisation.

“Festival, Flour & Folk” 1st Sunday in September: celebrations in honour of St Catherine of Alexandria, patron saint of millers.

“Walls in Search of an Artist”, first 10 days in September: seven days of Art across the town,

which is a member of the Associazione dei Paesi Dipinti (‘Association of Painted Towns’) (www.paesidipinti.it).

“Prickly Pear Festival”, first 10 days in September

“Furore Journalism Prize”, 1st weekend in October (c/o Furore Inn Resort): the Prize aims at promoting and enhancing the value of the “village that isn’t there”, the culture of tourism and wellbeing, through the printed word, newspapers, magazines, radio, TV, online ezines and all forms of communication.

Museums

“Ecomuseum” of the Fjord of Furore (with the Herbarium, the “Costa Diva” Cinematic Archive, and the “Paesi Dipinti” Documentation Centre): founded by the Town Council, with the consultancy of Legambiente, of the Naples Botanical Gardens, and the Office of environmental and cultural heritage of Salerno, this structure is a real living museum organised into different sections, each of which is integrated with the others: the drying room, where the paper produced was spread out to dry, is a congress centre; the paper-mill houses the museum with information about the original use of the building; the well-stocked herbarium. The “monazeno”, a tiny dwelling of ancient fishermen, is the premises for the Costa Diva Museum, a study centre dedicated to the landscapes of the “Costiera” chosen by famous directors as location for their films. The Ecomuseum of Furore, supported by a Centre for Environmental Education of Legambiente,



is a reference point for the local population, for tourism and above all for schools. It is a valuable asset for the rediscovery of local culture.

Hotels

- "Furore Inn Resort" ★★★★★** (22 rooms), via dell'Amore, 1 (p.za Sant'Elia) - Tel. 089.830.47.11, fax 830.477.7; information@furoreinn.it - www.furoreinn.it

- "Alfonso a Mare" ★★★** (16 rooms) via Marina di Praia, 6 - Tel. 089.874.091, fax 874.161; info@alfonsoamare.it - www.alfonsoamare.it

- "Bacco" ★★★** (20 rooms), via G. B. Lama, 9 - Tel. 089.830.360, fax 830.352; info@baccofurore.it - www.baccofurore.it

- "La Locanda del Fiordo" ★★★** (8 rooms), via Trasita, 13 - Tel. 089.874.813, fax 813.10.21; info@lalocandadelfiordo.it - www.lalocandadelfiordo.it

- "Locanda Ripa delle Janare" ★★★** (9 rooms), via A. Moro, 3/10 - Tel/fax 089.830.781; info@locandadellejanare.it - www.locandadellejanare.it


Restaurants

- "Alfonso a Mare"**, via Marina di Praia, 6 - Tel. 089.874.091
- "Al GERANIO"**, via Nespoli, 5 - Tel. 089.830.343
- "Hostaria di Bacco"**, via G. B. Lama, 9 - Tel. 089.830.360
- "La Volpe Pescatrice"**, via dell'Amore, 1 (p.za Sant'Elia) - Tel. 089.830.47.85
- "Italian Touch"**, via dell'Amore, 1 (p.za Sant'Elia) - Tel. 089.830.47.70
- "Luca's"**, via San Michele, 3 - Tel. 089.830.385

Agritourisms

- "Serafina"** (7 rooms), via Piccola, 3 (loc. Vigne) - Tel. 089.830.347, fax 830.40.21; info@agriturismoSerafina.it - www.agriturismoSerafina.it
- "Sant'Alfonso"** (10 rooms), via Sant'Alfonso, 6 - Tel/fax 089.830.515; info@agriturismosantalfonso.it - www.agriturismosantalfonso.it
- "Vinfur Agraria Vinicola"**, salita Portella, 1 - Tel. 089.830.572

Room rental

- "Fico d'India Holiday's"** (5 rooms), via A. Moro, 2 - Tel/fax 089.830.520; info@holidaysficodindia.it - www.holidaysficodindia.it
- "Al GERANIO"** (6 rooms), via Nespoli, 5/7 - Tel. 089.830.40.07, fax 830.343; info@algeranio.it - www.algeranio.it
- "Il Rifugio di Ela"**, via Mola, 21 - Tel/fax 089.874.353; info@ilrifugiodiela.it - www.ilrifugiodiela.it
- "La Casa del Melograno"** (6 rooms), salita Lina Pisacane, 5 (c.da Le Porpore) - Tel/fax 089.813.131.1, 339.782.834.3; info@lacasadelmelograno.it - www.lacasadelmelograno.it
- "La Vela"** (6 rooms), via Mola, 6 - Tel/fax 089.830.563; lavelafurore@katamail.com - www.lavelab-b.com
- "L'Eco dell'Ottocento"**, via Lamaro, 3 - Tel. 089.830.318; info@ecodell800.it - www.ecodell800.it
- "Le Marelle"** (6 rooms), via G.B. Lama, 50 - Tel/fax 089.830.263; info@lemarelle.it - www.lemarelle.it

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- "Il Mulino"**, via Mola, 63 - Tel/fax 089.813.072; info@ilmulinoamalficoast.it - www.ilmulinoamalficoast.it
- "Il Nespolo"** (3 rooms), via Nespoli, 23 - Tel/fax 089.830.358; info@il-nespolo.it - www.il-nespolo.it
- "Il Nespolo 2"**, via Salvatorelli, 4 - Tel. 089.830.339; info@il-nespolo.it - www.il-nespolo.it
- "Roccia Fiorita"** (3 rooms), via Nespoli, 23 - Tel. 089.830.339; www.rocciafiorita.it
- "Stregatti"** (2 rooms), via Lamaro, 5 - Tel. 089.830.382; www.stregatti.it
- "Villamena"** (2 rooms), via Croce, 3 - Tel/fax 089.830.519; info@villamena.it - www.villamena.it

Holiday apartments

- "Casa Alfonso"**, via Li Candidi, 1 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com
- "Il Mignale"**, via G. B. Lama, 3 - Tel. 089.830.269, 333.225.745.9; ilmignale@infinito.it
- "Li Candidi"**, salita Belvedere, 5 - Tel. 339.609.65.52, fax 081.862.51.54; info@licandidi.it - www.licandidi.it
- "L'Incanto"**, via San Nicola, 2 - Tel. 339.808.700.7

Bathing establishments

“**Alfonso a Mare**”, via Marina di Praia -
Tel. 089.874.091

MAIORI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast; or Nocera - Pagani exit, then to Valico di Chiunzi, to the Amalfi Coast

By train

Railway, stations of Salerno and Vietri sul Mare

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

Town Hall - Tel. 089.814.201

Police Station - Tel. 089.853.262

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.877.207

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Barela, via Santa Tecla, 2 - Tel. 089.877.063

Pharmacy Valletta, c.so Regina, 7 - Tel. 089.877.052

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, c.so Regina, 71 -
Tel. 089.877.452; info@aziendaturismo-maiori.it -
www.aziendaturismo-maiori.it

Travel agencies

“**Sunland Viaggi e Turismo**”, c.so Regina, 82 -

Tel. 089.877.455, fax 877.781; hotline@sunland.it -
www.sunland.it

Congress facilities

“**Panorama**” ★★★★★ (2 halls, 180 seats),
via Santa Tecla, 8 - Tel. 089.877.202, fax 877.998;
info@htlpanorama.com - www.htlpanorama.com

“**Pietra di Luna**” ★★★★★ (6 halls, 680 seats),
lungomare G. Capone, 27 - Tel. 089.877.500,
fax 877.483; info@pietradilunahotel.it -
www.pietradilunahotel.it

“**Reginna Palace**” ★★★★★ (3 halls, 280 seats),
via C. Colombo, 1 - Tel. 089.877.183, fax 851.200;
info@hotelreginna.it - www.hotelreginna.it

“**Garden**” ★★★ (1 hall, 300 seats),
via Nuova Chiunzi, 35 - Tel. 089.877.555,
fax 877.015; info@hgarden-maiori.it -
www.hgarden-maiori.it

Sites and monuments

Collegiate Sanctuary of Santa Maria a Mare

(St Mary at Sea)(XIII c., later restructured several times, until its enlargement in the XIX c.), built on the remains of an ancient fortress, whose keep was later (XIV c.) changed into the powerful bell tower, is an imposing church dedicated to the Virgin. Her polychrome wooden statue, of Byzantine workmanship, now on the main altar, was found in the sea (hence the name) wrapped up in a cotton bail. The church has an elegant XVIII c. façade and three naves; the central one is covered by a coffered ceiling splendidly decorated by the Neapolitan Alessandro De Fulco. Inside: in the side naves, four votive paintings in memory of Marian miracles; two altar-pieces (unknown artist) depicting the *Madonna delle Salette* (*Our Lady of the Small Rooms*) and *Gesù sulla croce confortato dalla Veronica* (*Christ on the Cross Comforted by Veronica*); and a painting of the *Madonna del Rosario con i Santi Domenico e Caterina da Siena* (*Our Lady of the Rosary with Saints Dominic and Catherine of Siena*). Admirable is the monumental pipe organ by the maestro Zeno Fedeli da Foligno, the statue of the *Madonna Assunta* (carried in procession on August 15th); the crypt, with its plan in the shape of a Greek cross, has a beautiful figurative majolica floor. The Collegiate houses an extraordinary Museo Sacro (Sacred Museum) (see under list of Museums, the column further down).

Castle of San Nicola de Thoro-Plano (XV c.),

built by the Duke Piccolomini, it was the fortress that gave shelter to the villagers at times of enemy raids and incursions. The fortified refuge comprised an old church with three naves (hence

the name of the castle), barracks and shelters, stores and cisterns. Today the seven-cornered perimeter still shows its original shape, with its battlemented curtain walls, fortified with slits and buttresses, alternating with nine cylindrical towers.

Abbey of Santa Maria de Olearia (X c.,

Capo d'Orso), although it has been enlarged and restructured, this abbey, leaning against the cliff next to a striking natural grotto, is a rare and precious testimonial of art and architecture of the early Middle Ages. It was built because of the fame of the hermit Pietro as a miracle-maker and of his nephew Giovanni, who had an increasing number of followers and believers. Its name comes from the olive groves that once covered the whole area, right down to the sea, and the nearby large olive mill. Nowadays visitors can see three overlapping areas in this striking monastic complex: the lowest one, down within the rock, is the layer housing the crypt (or "catacomb", because the cells of the monks were later turned into funeral chambers); it is decorated with frescos, some of which are extensive. The middle layer, which is larger (two naves and a large pillar in the centre), is the main chapel; it is decorated with many figures and scenes from the Gospels, with pride of place given to the image of the Virgin; the top area, with a barrel vault, comprises a small chapel dedicated to St Nicholas.

Abbey Church of S. Maria Assunta (Erbiche),

the parish church, built on the remains of an ancient abbey, has been rebuilt in Renaissance style. Its

portal is beautifully worked in dark tuff and it has three elegant naves. Inside: a marble altar dedicated to the Holy Sacrament and a statue of the Madonna Assunta; the central apse contains a painting in Byzantine style of the *Vergine con il Figlio* (*Virgin with her Son*).

Church of San Giacomo a Platea (St James) (XIII c.),

inside: on the altar, a wooden panel with the painting of the *Madonna di Porto Salvo*; in the apse: a statue of the *Apostoli Filippo e Giacomo Maggiore* (*Apostles Philip and James the Elder*) (XVI c.); in a wooden shrine, the tender *Madonna Bambina* (*Child Madonna*) by Luigi Capone (second half of XIX c.). In the premises of the Archconfraternity "Mortis et Oratione" (built in the XVI c.), a collection of labara and sacred objects.

Church and Monastery of San Francesco (XV c.

re-touched several times); inside, in Rococo style, although altered over the centuries: the marble patronal chapels of the aristocratic families Staibano and Mezzacapo, the latter adorned with a *Spirito Santo Adorato da Angeli* (*Holy Spirit Adored by Angels*) (XVIII c., Neapolitan School); the main altar, the choir in walnut wood, the wooden statue of *San Francesco in atto di ricevere le stimmate* (*St Francis Receiving the Stigmata*), the statue of the *Madonna del Soccorso* (*Our Lady of Succour*) (all from XVI c.). The picture gallery and the altars of the monastery house extraordinarily fine paintings, including: *L'incoronazione della Vergine* (*Crowning of the Virgin*) and *I Santi Antonio e Bernardino* by Giovanni da Gaeta; *La Deposizione* by Andrea



Sabatino; and a Flemish XV c. painting, *Il Calvario*. The cloister of the monastery (where some of the scenes from Rossellini's *Paisà* were filmed); the "Grotto of San Bernardino" still contains the spring that the Saint caused to spurt from the rock.

Castle Miramare (or Mezzocapo, after the family who built it in the last century), topped by three cylindrical turrets with a conical spire, giving it a vague resemblance to the French castles in the Loire valley, overlooks and dominates the sea below...

Palazzo Mezzacapo (XIX sec.) an imposing ochre-coloured building, now office premises. The interior is in the style of the Risorgimento, but the XVIII c. gardens are worth a visit. They have a "Maltese Cross" design, according to the wishes of the Knight of that order, with avenues of rose gardens flanked by fresh water basins.

Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie (VI c., restructured in the XVIII and XX c.), inside: *La Visitazione* (XV c.) and *La Crocifissione* (Studio of Andrea da Salerno, XVI c.)

Sanctuary dell'Avvocata (XVI c., on Mount Falerzio, on the peninsula of Capo d'Orso): from the few cells for hermits that were built here at the beginning of this cult, this monastery run by the Camaldoli Friars expanded and thrived until 1807. It was abandoned after the dissolution of religious orders and subsequently transformed into a military outpost. The church, of the same period, was destroyed by a fire and all that remains of it are a few ruins. Tradition has it that a shepherd was guided by a dove to the Grotta dell'Apparizione (Grotto of the Apparition), now on the level below the new church, frescoed and protected by a grating, where he saw Our Lady, who asked him to build an altar here.

Coastal Towers, defensive constructions along the coast built into the defence plan of the Spanish during the XVI century, including: Tower of the Tumulo (Tumulus), which takes its name from the burial place of the thousand or so men who died in a naval battle between the French and the Spanish; Norman Tower, along the beach.

Bulwark of San Sebastiano, the tetragonal external city wall (knocked down by the Pisani in 1137) protected the territory from the West (with the Fortress of Sant'Angelo, now the Collegiate of Santa Maria) to the East (up to Monte Brusario), alternating with six circular turrets, and open to the beach via three large doors defended with drawbridges. Within the wall, on high, the bastion of San Nicola de Thoro-Plano, the last refuge during sieges.

Nature and surroundings

Erchie, surrounded by olive and lemon trees, is a splendid fishing village by the Vallone di San Nicola. It has a small beach set between two cliffs and a tiny "lovers beach" which is reached through a natural cave in the rock, both dominated by the powerful medieval Angevin keep.

Sulphurous Grotto, with sulphur- and magnesium-rich water, with healing properties, that springs from its bed.

Bay of Salicerchie, semi-circular in shape.

Cala Bellavaia, known as *Cavallo Morto* (Dead Horse) beach, is wild and isolated.

Pannona (or Pandora) Grotto, rich in stalactites and with an incredibly blue seabed, has a wide vault that makes it easy for boats to enter.

Capa d'Orso (Bear's Head) is a rock with a fascinating profile that gives its name to the area. This is a fantastic example of Mediterranean habitat (where rosemary and broom, myrtle and arbutus, ash and ilex trees reign supreme). Here an age-old poplar tree with an unusual double trunk stands up to the ravages of time and man.

Spiaggia del Buco (Beach of the Hole), a quiet and solitary cove, with crystal-clear waters.

Excursions: to the Sanctuary of Santa Maria dell'Avvocata (900 m.) on Mount Mirteto; to Mount Piano.

Typical products

Chocolate aubergines, lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, the piennolo tomatoes

Limoncello & C:

"I Sapori di Terra Nostra", via Nuova Chiunzi, 158 - Tel. 089.853.884; www.mcrcsapiori.com ("Concerto" is a dark sweet very thick cream made with 12 spices)

Handicraft

Woodwork:

"Paolo Palermo", via Paie - Tel. 089.851.723

Pottery:

"Gaetano Bottone", via Orti, 24 - Tel. 089.852.432

Events

"**Grand Carnival of Maiori**", according to the experts, it is the most important carnival of the Amalfi Coast. Carnival floats and groups of masked ballerinas parade along the seafront, among billowing confetti, music and merrymaking.

"**Easter in Maiori**", the rites of the Holy Week with all their ancient atmosphere still intact, invigorated by the religious confraternities who organise and enact the 'Misteri' (The Passion) and the 'Sepolcri' (visits

to seven churches, on Maundy Thursday afternoon) by a procession of hooded people and 'Battenti', or Flagellants.

"Festival of the Madonna dell'Avvocata", Pentecost Monday, at the Sanctuary of Maria Santissima Avvocata, on the Peninsula of Capo d'Orso, on mount Falerzio: from all over the Province of Salerno, the faithful stream in to pay homage to the Madonna. Accompanied by uninterrupted pealing of bells, the statue of the Madonna is carried across the square of the church, showered with rose petals scattered by the faithful, in an atmosphere of festivity and devotion, enlivened by singing, dancing and ancient "tammorriate", lively folk dances accompanied by tambourines.

"Maiori Vicoli e Cultura", week-end in July: cultural walks and musical shows in the 'vicoli' (alleyways) and 'piazette' of the old town centre. At the end, meetings with authors and poets, and tastings of typical products.

"Festival of Santa Maria a Mare", August 15th: on the feast day of "St Mary in the Sea", the statue of the Madonna Assunta is carried in procession along the streets and then onto the beach, before being borne back to the Collegiate, in the spectacular run up the 'Scala Santa' steps. At midnight a spectacular fireworks display over the sea.

"A Bell for Peace" from August to October (www.unacampanaperlapace.it): the event, which lasts three months, includes meetings, exhibitions, shows, and the Capri-Maiori sailing boat charity regatta. It is organised by the Local Tourist Office as a well-deserved acknowledgement to the men and the organisations on the front line struggling to bring peace and coexistence among the peoples of the world. The prize centres on artistic and cultural events, because of the conviction that it is through art and culture that different peoples can know each other, communicate, and coexist with each other.

"District Festival", September in the ancient hamlet of Casale dei Cicerali, music and gastronomy evoke atmospheres of the past and popular traditions.

"The Aubergine and Chocolate Festival", September this typical speciality from Maiori is cooked in myriad delicious variations.

"Roberto Rossellini in Maiori Prize", October: in the mid Fifties, the director Roberto Rossellini went through a "Maiori Period", during which he created masterpieces such as *Paisà*, *L'Amore*, *La Macchina Ammazzacattivi*, *Viaggio in Italia*. Half a century later, the Maiori Film Festival Association pays homage to the maestro, with screenings of his films, seminars, debates, and a grand prize giving

gala. For information: www.premiorossellini.com; Azienda Autonoma Soggiorno e Turismo (Tel. 089.877.452); Associazione Maiori Film Festival (Tel. 328.336.40.01; Giovanna Dell'Isola, Press Office Tel. 339.301.73.95)

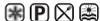
"A Maronna 'e notte - The Madonna at Night", 3rd Sunday in November, at dawn: at the first light of dawn, the patronage of Santa Maria a Mare is celebrated, when heavenly protection was implored and obtained during the recurring floods of the XVIII c.

"Christmas and New Year at Maiori", end of year: a rich calendar of events and entertainment, culminating in the boisterous exhibition of folk groups on New Year's Eve and the evening of the Epiphany.

Museums

"Museum of the Collegiate of Santa Maria a Mare", Largo Campo - Tel. 089.877.090. Opening Hours: daily (winter: 8.00-12.00, 15.30-19.00; summer: 8.00-12.00, 16.00-20.00). Admission: €2, free for students. A splendid collection of sacred art and liturgical objects, including a XVI c. Spanish sculpture, an alabaster altar frontal with English art reliefs (XV c.), paraments and choir books, an ebony coffer attributed to the Embriachi (XIV c.), illuminated codices from Canto Fermo, valuable ancient pontifical furnishings.

Hotels

"Club Due Torri" ★★★★★ (60 rooms), via D. Taiani, 3 - Tel. 089.877.699, fax 877.726; info@hotel2torri.com - www.hotel2torri.com


"Miramare" ★★★★★ (46 rooms), via Nuova Chiunzi, 5 - Tel. 089.877.225, fax 877.490; info@miramaremaiori.it - www.miramaremaiori.it


"Panorama" ★★★★★ (79 rooms), via Santa Tecla, 8 - Tel. 089.877.202, fax 877.998; info@htlpanorama.com - www.htlpanorama.com


"Pietra di Luna" ★★★★★ (97 rooms), lungomare G. Capone, 27 - Tel. 089.877.500, fax 877.483; info@pietradilunahotel.it - www.pietradilunahotel.it


"Reginna Palace" ★★★★★ (67 rooms), via C. Colombo, 1 - Tel. 089.877.183, fax 851.200; info@hotelreginna.it - www.hotelreginna.it


"San Francesco" ★★★★★ (48 rooms), via Santa Tecla, 54 - Tel/fax 089.877.070; info@hotel-sanfrancesco.it - www.hotel-sanfrancesco.it


"San Pietro" ★★★★★ (38 rooms),
via Nuova Chiunzi, 147 - Tel. 089.877.220, fax 877.025;
info@sanpietro.it - www.sanpietro.it
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"Sole Splendid" ★★★★★ (52 rooms), lungomare
G. Capone, 63 - Tel. 089.877.322, fax 877.345;
info@solesplendid.it - www.solesplendid.it
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"Villa Pandora" ★★★★★ (10 rooms),
via D. Taiani, 25/27 - Tel. 089.877.966, fax 854.197.7;
info@villapandora.it - www.villapandora.it
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"De Rosa" ★★★ (14 rooms), via Orti, 24 -
Tel/fax 089.877.031; info@hotelderosa.it -
www.hotelderosa.it
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"Garden" ★★★ (23 rooms), via Nuova Chiunzi, 35 -
Tel. 089.877.555, fax 877015;
info@hgarden-maiori.it - www.hgarden-maiori.it
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"Residence Hotel Panoramic" ★★★
(26 apartments), via Santa Tecla, 26 -
Tel. 089. 854.2301, fax 854.16.42;
info@residencehotelpanoramic.it -
www.residencehotelpanoramic.it
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"Riviera" ★★★ (13 rooms), via Orti, 19 -
Tel/fax 089.877.885; info@rivierahotels.it -
www.rivierahotels.it
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"Sole Alitur" ★★★ (26 rooms), lungomare G.
Capone, 7/11 - Tel. 089.877.210, fax 877.120
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"Torre di Milo" ★★★ (23 rooms),
via Nuova Chiunzi, 74 - Tel. 089.877.011, fax 852.029;
info@hoteltorredimilo.it - www.hoteltorredimilo.it
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"Baia Verde" ★★ (14 rooms), via Arsenale, 8 -
Tel. 089.877.276, fax 089.877.736;
infotiscali@hotelbaiverde.it - www.hotelbaiverde.it
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"L'Oasi" ★★ (6 rooms), via Orti, 20 -
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"Reale" ★★ (7 rooms), via G. Amendola, 13 -
Tel/fax 089.877.825; info@pensionereale.it -
www.pensionereale.it
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"Vittoria" ★★ (9 rooms), via F. Cerasuoli, 4 -
Tel/fax 089.877.652; info@hotel-vittoria.it -
www.hotel-vittoria.it
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Restaurants

"Cannaverde", via D. Taiani, 28 - Tel. 089.877.020

"Capo d'Orso", via D. Taiani, 48 - Tel. 089.877.022

"da Federico", via Marina, 1 - Tel. 089.855.111

"Dedalo", via F. Cerasuoli, 2 - Tel. 089.877.084

"De Iulius", via degli Orti, 28 - Tel. 089.877.612

"Delfino", via Torre (loc. Erchie) - Tel. 089.855.063

"Hostaria Santa Maria", via D. Taiani, 15 -
Tel. 089.877.402

"Il Carrettiere", via Nuova Chiunzi, 167 - Tel. 089.851.326

"L'Ancora", via Nuova Chiunzi, 20 - Tel. 089.877.756

"La Vela", lungomare Amendola, 7 - Tel. 089.852.874

"Le Ninfee", via Santa Tecla, 8 - Tel. 089.877.202

"Locanda Amalphitana", via Nuova Chiunzi, 9/13 -
Tel. 089.877.439

"Mammato", lungomare Amendola - Tel. 089.853.683

"Nettuno", lungomare G. Capone - Tel. 089.877.594

"San Pietro", via Nuova Chiunzi, 147 -
Tel. 089.877.220

"Torre dei Normanni", via D. Taiani, 4 - Tel. 089.877.100

Room rental

"Casa Raffaele Conforti" (9 rooms),
via Casa Mannini, 10 -
Tel. 089.852.048, 089.853.547, fax 089.854.186.5;
info@casaraffaeleconforti.it
www.casaraffaeleconforti.it

"Casa Vacanza Lady" (4 rooms), via Arsenale, 8 -
Tel/fax 089.852.495; www.casavacanzelady.it

"da Teodoro" (3 rooms),
via Nuova Provinciale Chiunzi, 129 -
Tel. 339.523.78.72

"La Casa delle Stelle" (6 rooms),
via Orti, 42 - Tel. 089.854.16.48, fax 851.533;
info@lacasadellestelle.it - www.lacasadellestelle.it

"Meublé Casa Mannini" (6 rooms),
via Casa Mannini, 2 - Tel/fax 089.852.783;
casamannini@rivierahotels.it - www.rivierahotels.it

"Sea Furnished Room" (4 rooms),
via Orti, 5 - Tel. 089.853.551, fax 089.852.569;
info@sea-fr.it - www.sea-fr.it

"Sunrise", via Nuova Provinciale Chiunzi, 84 -
Tel/fax 089.877.008; info@amalfisunrise.com -
www.amalfisunrise.com

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"Accarino Adolfo", via Marina (loc. Erchie)

"Castiavano" (2 rooms), via Castiavano, 1 -

Tel. 089.851.796; scavin25@hotmail.com

"Palazzo Còcò" (3 rooms), via Vena, 20 -
Tel. 388.667.560.5; info@palazzococo.it -
www.palazzococo.it

Holiday apartments

"Cioffi Filomena", c.so Regina, 54 -
Tel. 089.851.431; info@bucadellefate.it -
www.bucadellefate.it

"Il Piccolo Paradiso", via Castello, 9 -
Tel/fax 089.852.299; info@ilpiccoloparadiso.it -
www.ilpiccoloparadiso.it

"La Casa d'A...mare" (3 rooms), via Orti, 40 -
Tel/fax 089.851.743; info@lacasadamare.it -
www.lacasadamare.it

"Soc. Intur", via Santa Tecla, 8 -
Tel. 089.877.202, fax 877.998;
panorama@amalfinet.it - www.hotelpanorama.biz

"Soc. Montesanto",
via Nuova Provinciale Chiunzi, 147 -
Tel. 089.877.220, fax 877.025;
info@sanpietro.it - www.sanpietro.it

"Torre di Cesare Luxury Resort", via D. Taiani, 26 -
Tel. 081.879.12.82, fax 089.852.922;
info@torredicesare.net - www.torredicesare.net

Camping and villages

Village "Capricorno Club" (12 bungalows),
c.so Regina, 82 - Tel/fax 089.877.606;
www.bungalowcostieramalfitana.com

Apartment hotels

"San Pietro" ★★ (17 apartments, 5 bungalows),
via Nuova Chiunzi, 147 - Tel. 089.877.220,
fax 089.877.025; info@sanpietro.it -
www.sanpietro.it

"Divina" (35 apartments), via Santa Tecla, 24 -
Tel/fax 089.877.455

Harbour&tourist landing places

Local Maritime Office of Maiori, c.so Regina, 85 -
Tel/fax 089.851.279 (mooring reserved for pleasure
boats: berth for 110, max boat length 18 m)

Bathing establishments

"Lido Acqua", loc. Salicerchie -
Tel. 089.253.601

"Lido Adriana", loc. Erchie - Tel. 089.855.030

"Lido Eldorado", lungomare Amendola -
Tel. 089.851.266

"Lido Moorea", lungomare Amendola -
Tel. 089.852.048

"Lido Nettuno", lungomare G. Capone -
Tel. 089.877.594

"Lido Oriente", lungomare G. Capone -
Tel. 089.877.305

"Lido Panorama Beach", via Santa Tecla -
Tel. 089.877.202

"Lido Santa Rita", lungomare Amendola -
Tel. 089.877.184

"Lido Sirena", loc. Erchie -
Tel. 089.855.024

MINORI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Vietri sul Mare exit,
then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast; or
Nocera - Pagani exit, then to Valico di Chiunzi, to
the Amalfi Coast

By train

Railway, stations of Salerno and Vietri sul Mare

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the
Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del
Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700;
www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime
Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11;
www.consorziolimp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and
hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento:
Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel.
089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori -
Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar.
(infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

Town Hall - Tel. 089.854.24.11

Police Station - Tel. 089.854.240.4

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.877.207 (Maiori)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Proto, c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 31 -
Tel. 089.877.200

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, via Roma, 32 - Tel. 089.877.087;
prolocominori@virgilio.it - www.proloco.minori.sa.it

Congress facilities

"Villa Romana" ★★★★★ (2 halls, 50 and 100 seats),
c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 90 - Tel. 089.877.237,
fax 877302; info@hotelvillaromana.it -
www.hotelvillaromana.it

Sites and monuments

Church of Santa Trofimena (XVIII c.), Baroque style, built on an earlier temple, it is shaped like a Latin cross with three naves. Its neoclassical bell tower has a quadrangular plan and houses majestic bells. Inside: numerous paintings and a large altar piece of the *Crocifissione* by Marco Pino da Siena (XVI c.); the bishop's marble throne with canopy; the beautiful crypt contains the relics of St Trofimena, a Christian martyr. Tradition has it that her funerary urn was found on the local beach between the VI-VII century.

Roman Seaside Villa (I c.), Via Capo di Piazza, 28 (Tel. 089.852.893). Opening Hours: 9.00 to one hour before sunset daily. Closed on December 25th and January 1st. Admission is free. Minori was possibly the first place of the Amalfi Coast to be populated. Founded by the Etruscans (VII c. B.C.), it was one of the summer destinations preferred by the Romans, as the remains of this majestic building show. The villa, which has fine decorations, was built over two

storeys, but only the ground floor remains). It is raised spectacularly above the rocks and is clearly visible from the sea. After restorations and reconstruction, the excavations have brought back to light part of the *thermae*, the *nymphaeum*, the *peristyle*, and the *viridarium* with central basin. Of great interest is the room furnished with *suspensurae*: its floor, held up by small pillars of bricks, allowed the hot steam to penetrate the cavities and create a real spa environment. Inside there is an Antiquarium, which contains most of the finds from Roman times of the digs that have been carried out here and in Vietri, Tramonti and Positano, as well as the finds recovered in the sea near the villa.

Bell Tower and Church of the Annunziata (Petrito), of the splendid medieval church (XI c.), which once belonged to the Congrega dell'Annunziata, an association of all the local pasta-makers, all that remains are parts of the two apses, with remnants of the fresco depicting St Michael, the crypt and the marvellous square-plan bell tower, a fine example of the use of bi-coloured tuff intarsia.

Complex of San Nicola (Monte Forcella), comprising the church, which has a single nave and a statue of the saint in the niche on the altar, and the monastery (XI c.). The lower storey, with barrel vault, contains the service rooms, and the upper storey contains the monks' cells. They were used by the Augustinians from 1628 (to visit the complex, ask the parish priest of Minori, or the Visitors' Office).



Paradiso Tower (on the state road Statale 163), dating back to the time of the Viceroy. Like the other similar coastal defence structures it is private and is not open to visitors.

Mezzacapo Tower (on the state road Statale 163), another tower from the same period, incorporated into the structure of the "castle" with the same name. This too is privately owned, and has been used as a hotel and a restaurant.

Church and Congregation of the Santissimo Sacramento

Church of San Gennaro and Santa Maria del Rosario (Villamena)

Church of San Giovanni Battista del Piezulo

Church of Santa Lucia

Church of San Michele Arcangelo (Torre)

Ancient Paper Mills (Via Pioppi)

Fountain dei leoni

Nature and surroundings

Grotto dell'Annunziata (on the state road Statale 163), between Maiori and Minori, was used by the local fishermen to house a simple devotional chapel (XIV c.) with two naves, dedicated to the Madonna who protected them. All that remains of the double-nave structure are some parts of the wall and the frescoed shrine. At the bottom of the grotto, below sea level, there is a small lake of brackish water. The grotto is now privately owned.

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP

Limoncello & C.:

"**Gambardella**", p.za Cantilena, 7,
c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 37 - Tel/fax 089.877.299;
gambardella@amalficoast.it - www.gambardella.it

Pasta:

"**Il Pastaio**", I.go Solaio dei Pastai

Handicraft

Pottery:

"**Ceramica Artigianale Vittorio Ruocco**",
c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 19 - Tel. 089.851.900

Events

"**Exhibition of the Amalfi Coast Choirs**", January
(for info, Tel. 089.877.087).

Celebration of Holy Week, in Minori, as in the rest of the 'Costiera', the rites of Easter combine the appeal of the liturgy with the charm of tradition. During the "Procession of the Battenti (Flagellants)", on

Maudy Thursday, the faithful don long white surplices and hoods and a rough rope, which was once used as a whip, tied round their waists. They walk behind a large cross, which is carried on the shoulders of the faithful through the streets of the town and its hamlets, re-enacting events in the life of Christ. When the procession comes to a planned halt, the "Battenti" gather round in a circle singing with a moving coral effect; from Maudy Thursday to Good Friday. On the evening of this day, after the sorrowful liturgy of the un-nailing of Christ, which takes place in the Basilica, lit by the torches, the procession of the dead Christ takes place. Among the local traditions and the rites of the Passion, the very ancient dirges chanted by the "Battenti" in alternating high and low tones.

(For information: Tel. 089.877.087)

"**A Banquet on WellBeing**", March
(Tel. 089.854.24.01)

"**The Conservatory Diaries**", from April to June
(Tel. 089.877.087)

"**Festival of Santa Trofimena**" July 13th; November 5th and 27th): devotion to the venerated Patron Saint is mainly expressed in the two solemn processions through the streets of the town (13/7 and 5/11), with the statue of the Saint preceded by the insignia of the Basilica and by those of the Archconfraternity of the Santissimo Sacramento, whose brothers walk in procession wearing XVII c. paraments. The feast day of November 27th is more of a celebration to announce Christmas, accompanied by the traditional music of the 'zampogne' (Italian bagpipes), social and folkloristic events, firework displays and brass band concerts.

"**Minori, Costa d'Amalfi**", July (Tel. 089.854.16.09): a prize for literature about food and wine

"**Amalfi Coast Music & Arts Festival**", June - July
(Tel. 089.877.087)

"**Largo Solaio dei Pastai**", August
(mob. 338.280.87.92)

"**Jazz on the Coast**", July-August
(Tel. 089.877.087, 338.407.66.18, 338.280.87.92;
www.jazzonthecoast.it)

"**Contemporary Art Exhibitions**", July to September
(Tel. 089.854.15.32)

"**Sea and Music Festival**", September
(Tel. 089.877.087)

"**Gusta Minori - Minori Tastes**", first half of September gastronomy, theatre Tradition

"**Christmas Events**", December - January
(Tel.089.877.087)

Typical markets

Antique trade market, July and August weekends

Museums

"Antiquarium – Roman Villa", Via Capo di Piazza, 28 (Tel. 089.852.893). Opening Hours: 9.00 to one hour before sunset daily. Closed on December 25th and January 1st. Admission is free. Inside the Roman Seaside Villa there is a museum that contains most of the finds from Roman times of the digs that have been carried out here and in Vietri, Tramonti and Positano, as well as the finds recovered in the sea near the villa. The Antiquarium exhibits the finds from the excavations at the site of the villa and from Vietri, Tramonti and Positano, as well as those recovered from the sea. The exhibition cases contain ceramics, lamps, fishing hooks and tools for making fishing nets, and marble elements for decoration and covering.

Hotels

- "Villa Romana" ★★★★★** (55 rooms), c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 90 - Tel. 089.877.237, fax 877302; info@hotelvillaromana.it - www.hotelvillaromana.it

- "Bristol" ★★★** (50 rooms), c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 70 - Tel. 089.877.013, fax 877.627; info@hotelbristolminori.it - www.hotelbristolminori.it

- "Caporal" ★★★** (12 rooms), via Strada Nuova, 20 - Tel. 089.877.408, fax 089.877.166; hotelpaporsas@virgilio.it

- "Isabella" ★★★** (11 rooms), p.za Cantilena, 34 - Tel. 089.877.787, fax 089.853.636; hslucia@tiscali.it - www.hotelsantalucia.it

- "Maison Raphael" ★★★** (8 rooms), via Nazionale, 56 - Tel. 089.853.545, fax 089.854.170.7; info@maisonraphael.it - www.maisonraphael.it

- "Santa Lucia" ★★★** (30 rooms), via Nazionale, 44 - Tel. 089.877.142, fax 089.853.636; hslucia@tiscali.it - www.hotelsantalucia.it

- "Settebello" ★★★** (29 rooms), via Nazionale, 39 - Tel. 089.877.619, fax 089.877.494; info@hotel7bello.com - www.hotel7bello.it

- "Europa" ★★** (18 rooms), via Nazionale, 65 - Tel/fax 089.877.512; hoteleuropasas@virgilio.it

www.hoteleuropaminori.it



"Pensione Capri" ★★ (7 rooms), via Giovanni XXIII, 19 - Tel/fax 089.877.417


Restaurants

- "Alta Marea"**, via Roma, 80 - Tel. 089.877.576
- "Cortile dei Mori"**, via Capo di Piazza, 6 - Tel. 089.877.852
- "Giardiniello"**, c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 17 - Tel. 089.877.050
- "L'Arsenale"**, via San Giovanni a Mare, 20 - Tel. 089.851.418
- "La Botte"**, via Santa Maria Vetrano, 2 - Tel. 089.877.893
- "Santa Lucia"**, via Nazionale, 44 - Tel. 089.877.142

Agritourisms

- "Il Campanile"** (2 apartments), via Annunziata - Tel/fax 089.877.147, 339.264.065.6; info@agriturismoilcampanile.com - www.agriturismoilcampanile.com
- "Villa Maria"** (6 rooms), via Annunziata - Tel. 089.877.197, fax 854.14.29; info@agriturismovillamaria.it - www.agriturismovillamaria.it

Room rental

- "Maison Raphael"** (6 rooms), via Nazionale, 56 - Tel. 089.853.545, fax 854.17.07; info@maisonraphael.it - www.maisonraphael.it
- "Palazzo Vingius"** (6 rooms), via San Giovanni a Mare, 19 - Tel. 089.854.16.46; palazzovingius@libero.it, info@palazzovingius.it - www.palazzovingius.it
- "Relais Bellavista"** (3 rooms), via Monte, 3 - Tel/fax 089.852.911, 335.645.140.0; info@amalfisails.it - www.amalfisails.it
- "Rispoli Andrea"** (4 rooms), via Nazionale, 39 - Tel. 089.877.494; info@hotel7bello.com - www.hotel7bello.it

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- "Casa Mediterranea"** (1 apartment), via Strada Nuova, 17/23 - Tel. 333.492.517.1, fax 089.877.129; luigicerri@hotmail.it
- "Celio Bersabea"**, Palazzo Amorino, via V. Emanuele, 104
- "Free Holiday"** (3 rooms), via Casa Palomba - Tel. 349.788.506.5, 339.594.202.1, 089.853.773, fax 854.13.94; info@freeholiday.it - www.freeholiday.it

"Orto Paradiso" (3 rooms), via C. Carola -
Tel/fax 089.851.209; info@ortoparadiso.com -
www.ortoparadiso.com

"Villa Marietta" (3 rooms), via Torre, 15 -
Tel/fax 089.852.762; vruocco@tiscalinet.it
339.315.544.6 - 329.175.255.5

"Villa Primavera" (3 rooms), via Casa Palomba
(loc. Torone) - Tel. 089.853.358; angruocco@alice.it

Holiday apartments

"L'Approdo", via A. Gatto, 5 -
Tel/fax 089.852.149, 335.544.301.0;
flat@starnet.it - www.amalfiflat.it

"Palazzo Braschi", p.za Cantilena, 3 -
Tel. 089.831.256, fax 832.19.14;
info@amalfivacation.it - www.amalfivacation.it

"Ruocco Giovanni", c.so Vittorio Emanuele, 73 -
Tel. 089.877.554

"Vicaria", via Roma, 68 -
Tel. 089.831.256, fax 832.19.14;
info@amalfivacation.it - www.amalfivacation.it

"Villa Amena", via Monte, 3 -
Tel/fax 089.852.149; www.amalfiflat.it

"Villa Fiorita", via Torre, 2 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82;
info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

Bathing establishments

"Ambrogio's", lungomare California -
tel. 339.248.837.4

"Susy Beach", lungomare California - Tel. 089.877.977

POSITANO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3, Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast; or Nocera - Pagani exit, then to Valico di Chiunzi, to the Amalfi Coast; or exit Castellammare di Stabia, then to Penisola Sorrentina, get to Meta di Sorrento follow Positano indication

By train

Railway, station of Salerno or Naples.
Circumvesuviana line, station of Sorrento

Bus service

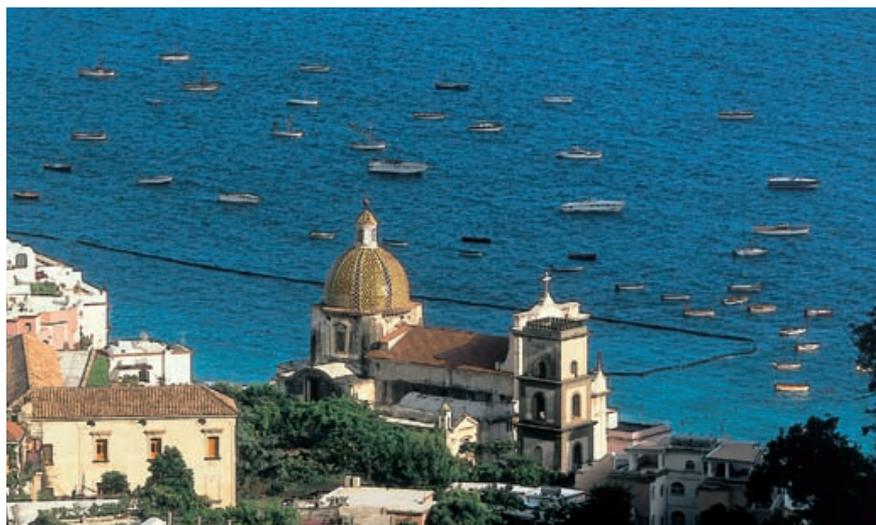
From Naples, central station. From Sorrento, Station.
From Salerno, Station: line to Amalfi, then line to Amalfi - Sorrento

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)



Useful addresses

- Town Hall** - Tel. 089.812.25.11
- Police Station** - Tel. 089.875.277
- Carabinieri** - Tel. 089.875.011
- Fire brigade** - Tel. 115
- Medical ambulance** - Tel. 118
- First-aid station** - Tel. 081.936.81.76
- Pharmacy Rizzo**, via Pasitea, 22 - Tel. 089.875.863
- Red Cross**, delegation of Positano - Tel. 089.811.912
- Municipal library** - Tel. 089.811.808

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office, via del Saracino, 4 -
Tel. 089.875.067, fax 875.760;
info@aziendaturismopositano.it -
www.aziendaturismopositano.it

Travel agencies

- "Pasitea Travel"**, via Chiesa Nuova, 2/b -
Tel. 089.811.939, fax 811.940
- "Positour"**, via C. Colombo, 69 -
Tel. 089.875.012, 875.555, fax 811.045

Congress facilities

- "Covo dei Saraceni" ★★★★★** (1 hall, 150 seats),
via Regina Giovanna, 5 - Tel. 089.875.400,
fax 875.878; info@ilcovodeisaraceni.it -
www.ilcovodeisaraceni.it
- "Domina Inn Royal" ★★★★** (1 hall, 65 seats),
via Pasitea, 344 - Tel. 089.875.000, fax 811.477;
royal@domina.it - www.dominahotels.com
- "Le Agavi" ★★★★★** (2 halls, 250 seats),
via Marconi, 127 - Tel. 089.875.733, fax 875.965;
agavi@agavi.it - www.leagavi.com
- "Poseidon" ★★★★** (1 hall, 30 seats),
via Pasitea, 148 - Tel. 089.811.111, fax 875.833;
info@hotelposeidonpositano.it -
www.hotelposeidonpositano.it
- "Pasitea" ★★★** (1 hall, 30 seats),
via Pasitea, 207 - Tel. 089.875.500, fax 875.120;
info@hotelpasitea.it - www.hotelpasitea.it

Sites and monuments

Church of S. Maria Assunta (X c., restructured in the XVIII c., Piazza Flavio Gioia; open daily from 8.00-19.00, closes briefly at lunch time; Tel. 089.875.480; www.starnet.it/chiesasma), it has a beautiful large cupola majolicated with mosaics. Under its surface lies a medieval church and below this lie the remains of a Roman villa. The Collegiate had a Byzantine floor, of which some

traces can be found in the apse, and on the main altar there is a Byzantine artefact, the miraculous oriental icon of the Black Madonna with Child (XIII c.), a panel in cedar wood which is believed to have arrived here by sea. Inside: in the transept, *Circoncisione (Circumcision)* by Fabrizio Santafede (XVI c.); in the apse, two niches with Maria Addolorata and a Christ (1798), a *Cristo sulla croce (Christ on the Cross)* (XVI c.); the reliquary of San Vito (1506), an extraordinary example of the Neapolitan goldsmith's art. The lower half of the bell tower is decorated with a bas-relief (XIII c.) depicting fabulous and monstrous animals.

Monumental Cemetery

- Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie** (or Chiesa Nuova)
- Church of San Giacomo**
- Church of San Vito**
- Church of Santa Caterina**
- Church of Santa Margherita**
- Roman Seaside Villa**
- Anti-Saracen Watch Towers**
(Sponda, Trasita, Fornillo, Gallo)

Nature and surroundings

- Beaches:** Fornillo, La Porta, Ciomicello, Arienzo
- Climbs:** to Monte Sant'Angelo a Tre Pizzi (1443 m); to Monte Comune (877 m)
- Excursions:** to Montepertuso (355 m); to Nocelle (443 m)
- Belvedere 'Schiaccone'** (200 m)
- Ponte dei Libri** ('Bridge of the Books') above a deep cleft in the rock, flanked by two high pinnacles.
- Grotta La Porta**, here Palaeolithic traces of human activity were found.
- Grotta Matera**, a gigantic fissure flooded by the sea.
- "Li Galli"** these are three islets in the sea (Gallo Lungo, Castelluccio, La Rotonda), whose collective name ('The Cocks') reflects the cult of the sirens, mythological creatures, part woman, part bird.

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP

Handicraft

- Fashion
- Tailor shops:*
- "Bigi"**, via Corvo, 72; **"Caldiero Francesco"**, via Saracino, 67 - Tel. 089.811.915; **"Cappiello Agnese"**, via Boscareliello, 41; **"Casola Francesco"**, v.le Pasitea, 114 - Tel. 089.875.118; **"Casola**

Paolo” via C. Colombo, 33; **“Cuccaro Silvana**”, via Montepertuso, 17; **“D’Urso Raffaele**”, via G. Marconi, 326; **“D.E.A.”**, via del Saracino, 24; **“De Lucia Lucia**”, via Pasitea, 128; **“Di Gennaro Concetta**”, via C. Colombo, 17; **“Dolle Verena Regine Katrin**”, via Pasitea, 255; **“È Moda Mariagrazia**”, via C. Colombo, 23; **“È Moda Mariagrazia**”, via Pasitea, 247; **“Esposito Pina**”, via Pasitea, 237; **“Fiorentino Raffaella**”, via C. Colombo; **“Gargiulo Giulio**”, via Pasitea, 205; **“Irace Giuseppina**”, via Laurito, 50; **“La Bottega del Ricamo**” - Tel. 089.811.133; **“Monili**”, via C. Colombo, 23; **“Prudente Maria**”, via Pasitea, 63; **“Rispoli Antonio**”, via Pasitea, 350/352; **“Rispoli Domenico**”, via G. Marconi, 49; **“Sartoria Mediterranea**”, via Corvo, 99 - Tel. 089.811.610; **“Seestern**”, via Pasitea, 334; **“Serpe Ferdinando**”, via C. Colombo, 151; **“Stella Moda**”, via Pasitea, 283 - Tel. 089.811.743; **“Terry**” via G. Marconi, 350

Boutiques:

“Avitabile”, p.za A. Vespucci, 5 - Tel. 089.875.336; **“Boutique DEA**”, via del Saracino, 28 - Tel. 089.875.119; **“Boutique La Brezza**”, via del Brigantino, 1 - Tel. 089.875.811; **“Boutique Mary**”, p.za dei Mulini, 1 - tel. 089.875.216; **“Boutique Stefania**”, via del Saracino, 32 - Tel. 089.875.627; **“Calu**”, via del Saracino, 20 - Tel. 089.875.631; **“Carro Antonio**”, p.za dei Mulini, 12 - Tel. 089.875.101; **“Carro Umberto**” - Tel. 089.811.596; **“Casola Roberto - Roby Robe**”, via V. Salvino, 1 - Tel. 089.811.521; **“Cinque Elvira**”, v.le Pasitea, 218 - Tel. 089.875.905; **“Collina Angela**”, v.le Pasitea, 28 - Tel. 089.812.190; **“D.C.D.”**, via Liparlati, 8; **“D’Anna Coast**”, via del Saracino, 33/35 - Tel. 089.875.383; **“Helen Passerotti**” - Tel. 089.875.051; **“Imperanti Sapiente Francesca**”; **“Imperatrice Francesco - Nero Stumato**”, v.le Pasitea, 330 - Tel. 089.812.34.69; **“La Collinetta**”, via C. Colombo, 17 - Tel. 089.811.469; **“La Corsara**”, via del Saracino, 67 - Tel. 089.811.915; **“Lucibello Salvatore**”, v.le Pasitea, 164 - Tel. 089.811.178; **“Minuche**”, v.le Pasitea, 205 - Tel. 089.875.441; **“Non solo Moda**”, via C. Colombo, 19 - Tel. 089.811.466; **“Parlato Marina**”, via Monte, 15; **“Rachele Di Franco**”; **“Ribes Rosso**”, v.le Pasitea, 230 - Tel. 089.811.999; **“Scibelli Elizabeth**”; **“Senesi Franco**”; **“Strazzoso Salvatrice**”, via Boscariello, 21; **“Tre Coralli**”, v.le Pasitea, 45 - Tel. 089.811.491; **“Zephir**”, via G. Marconi, 350 - Tel. 089.811.492

Sandals:

“Carmine Todisco”, via del Saracino - Tel. 089.811.619

“La Botteguccia di Giovanni”, via Regina Giovanna **“Safari**”, via della Tartana, 2 - Tel. 089.811.917

Pottery:

“Ceramica Parlato”, via G. Marconi, 138 - Tel. 089.875.097

Events

“Positano Art Festival”, April to October (www.positanoartfestival.com): the project of the Local Tourist Office (Tel. 089.875.067; www.aziendaturismopositano.it) and of the Town Council comprises a programme of events covering a whole range of activities. This diversity reflects the way in which the life of a people is expressed: dance, music, sport, art exhibitions... but also traditions, crafts, food and wine...

“Presentation of the Spring-Summer collection”, April 7th.

“Street Food”, May 2nd- 4th (Beach ‘Spiaggia delle Sirene’; 16.00-24.00): an international showcase for Campania, Positano organises unusual tasting trails through the food and wine traditions of this region and of others that have taken root in Italy and abroad, in particular in Africa, Asia and Latin America. There is also a jamboree of international artists in different fields: living arts, street and break dancing, street music and theatre. All this is integrated with exhibitions of visual art: portrait painters, mural artists, landscapists all let their creativity run riot.

“Mediterranean Music”, June 4th to 9th: a unique festival of music from the shores of the ‘Mare Nostrum’, this is where Eastern and Western cultures meet. This is the crossroads where Mediterranean music – with its poetry, warmth, beauty, celebration of life and of emotions – comes together. This melting pot gives rise to new sounds, to traditional melodies re-worked with new accents, to a new mix of instruments. Six days to listen to the rhythms that stitch together the patchwork of sounds from the different cultures of the Mediterranean basin, drawn together by the threads that run through the history of all these lands.

“Festival of San Vito”, June 15th (Church of Santa Maria Assunta): in honour of the Martyr, protector of Positano. After the church service, the statue is carried in procession down to the beach; there is a folkloristic musical show, a brass band playing along the streets of the town, and fireworks over the sea.

“Canoeing”, July 6th and 7th (on the beach ‘Spiaggia Grande’): legend has it that Positano was founded by Poseidon in person, as a token of his love for

his beloved nymph Pasitea. Positano pays tribute to the sea with an exciting, colourful and fun canoe race. The bay of Positano and the Spiaggia Grande beach are the backdrop and starting point of this rowing race in canoes; the participants are amateur and professional rowers of all ages. Adults and children, champions and simple aficionados, instructors and learners are the real protagonists of the two days that the "Positano Art Festival" dedicates to the sport.

Coloured boats, glittering medals, music, healthy competitiveness, great names of sport, instructors and technicians will make this a unique experience for anyone wishing to take part in it, whether on canoes, 6-place rubber dinghies or 16-place dragon boats.

"Festival of the Assunta", August 15th the evening of 'Ferragosto', with its "Fireworks of the Assunta" is a date not to be missed. Many hundreds of boats, from Naples, Sorrento, Capri, Salerno and the whole of the 'Costiera' surround the pontoon that has been handed over to the fireworks artificers. This spectacular firework display over the sea seems to bring back the past, before this fishermen's village became the mother of all tourist destinations. Then the sea would be illuminated by the 'cianciole' and 'lampare' - boats with night-time fishing nets equipped with bright lights to attract the fish at night. The exciting display lasts for half an hour while all the boats bobbing in the bay sound their foghorns in unison. The celebrations in honour of the Madonna include the "Landing of the Saracens", to invoke once more the protective intervention of the Madonna against a Turkish invasion. Around four hundred people take part in this vivid performance, whose elements include the sea, boats, a make-believe fire in the village, the abduction of girls.

"Leonide Massine Prize for the Art of Dance", September 1st: The splendid natural backdrop of the Spiaggia Grande is the stage for this International Prize, named after one of the greatest interpreters of the art of dance, who spent a long time in the pearl of the Amalfi Coast (www.premiodanzapositano.eu).

"Fashion Show", September 29th (at the Lido "La Scogliera dell'Incanto"): 'Positano Style': a symbol of excellence in Campania, in an evening of colour, of lightness, of elegance – a delicate and fitting end to the summer.

"Fish Festival", early September

"Bean Festival" (Montepertuso), September

"Zeppola Festival", late December

Hotels

"Le Sirenuse" ★★★★★L (63 rooms),
via C. Colombo, 30 - Tel. 089.875.066, fax 811.798;
info@sirenuse.it - www.sirenuse.it



"San Pietro" ★★★★★L (62 rooms),
via Laurito, 2 - Tel. 089.875.455 - fax 811.449;
reservations@ilsanpietro.it - www.ilsanpietro.it



"Covo dei Saraceni" ★★★★★ (61 rooms),
via Regina Giovanna, 5 - Tel. 089.875.400,
fax 875.878; info@ilcovodeisaraceni.it -
www.ilcovodeisaraceni.it



"Le Agavi" ★★★★★ (62 rooms),
via Marconi, 127 - Tel. 089.875.733, fax 875.965;
agavi@agavi.it - www.leagavi.com



"Buca Di Bacco" ★★★★★ (47 rooms),
via Rampa Teglia, 4 - Tel. 089.875.699, fax 875.731;
info@bucadibacco.it - www.bucadibacco.it



"Domina Inn Royal" ★★★★★ (66 rooms),
via Pasitea, 344 - Tel. 089.875.000, fax 811.477;
royal@domina.it - www.dominahotels.com



"Eden Roc" ★★★★★ (26 rooms), via G. Marconi, 110 -
Tel. 089.875.844, fax 875.552; info@edenroc.it -
www.edenroc.it



"L'Ancora" ★★★★★ (18 rooms), via C. Colombo, 36 -
Tel. 089.875.318, fax 811.784; info@htlancora.it -
www.htlancora.it



"Marincanto" ★★★★★ (26 rooms), via C. Colombo, 36 -
Tel. 089.875.130, fax 875.595; info@marincanto.it -
www.marincanto.it



"Miramare" ★★★★★ (15 rooms), via Trara Genoio,
27/29 - Tel. 089.875.002, fax 875219;
miramare@starnet.it - www.miramarepositano.it



"Palazzo Murat" ★★★★★ (31 rooms),
via dei Mulini, 23 - Tel. 089.875.177, fax 811.419;
info@palazzomurat.it - www.palazzomurat.it



"Posa Posa" ★★★★★ (24 rooms),
via Pasitea, 165 - Tel. 089.812.237.7, fax 812.208.9;

- info@hotelposaposa.com - www.hotelposaposa.com
 ☎ ☒
- "Poseidon" ★★★★★** (50 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 148 - Tel. 089.811.111, fax 875.833;
 info@hotelposeidonpositano.it -
 www.hotelposeidonpositano.it
 ☎ ☒ ☐ ☑ ☒
- "Punta Regina" ★★★★★** (50 rooms), via Pasitea,
 220/224 - Tel. 089.812.020, fax 812.316.1;
 info@puntaregina.com - www.puntaregina.com
- "Villa Flavio Gioia" ★★★★★** (13 rooms),
 p.za Flavio Gioia, 2 - Tel. 089.875.222, fax 811.992;
 info@villaflavioGioia.it - www.villaflavioGioia.it
 ☎ ☒ ☒
- "Villa Franca" ★★★★★** (37 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 318 - Tel. 089.875.655, fax 875.735;
 info@villafrancahotel.it - www.villafrancahotel.it
 ☎ ☐ ☒
- "California" ★★★★★** (9 rooms),
 via C. Colombo, 141 - Tel. 089.875.382, fax 811.154;
 info@hotelcaliforniapositano.it -
 www.hotelcaliforniapositano.it
 ☎ ☐
- "Casa Albertina" ★★★★★** (20 rooms), via della Tavolozza, 3 -
 Tel. 089.875.143, fax 089.811.540;
 info@casalbertina.it - www.casalbertina.it
 ☎ ☒
- "Conca d'Oro" ★★★★★** (38 rooms), via Boscarelli, 16 -
 Tel. 089.875.111, fax 812.009; info@hotel-
 concadoro.com - www.hotel-concadoro.com,
 www.albergoconcadoro.it
 ☎ ☒ ☒
- "Il Gabbiano" ★★★★★** (19 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 113 - Tel. 089.875.306, fax 812.084;
 info@ilgabbianopositano.com -
 www.ilgabbianopositano.com
 ☎ ☐
- "Montemare" ★★★★★** (28 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 119 - Tel. 089.875.010, fax 811.251;
 info@hotelmontemare.it - www.hotelmontemare.it
 ☎ ☐ ☒
- "Pasitea" ★★★★★** (26 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 207 - Tel. 089.875.500, fax 875.120;
 info@hotelpasitea.it - www.hotelpasitea.it
 ☎ ☒ ☐ ☒
- "Pupetto" ★★★★★** (34 rooms),
 via Fornillo, 37 - Tel. 089.875.087, fax 811.517;
 info@hotelpupetto.it - www.hotelpupetto.it
 ☎ ☒ ☒
- "Savoia" ★★★★★** (39 rooms),
 via C. Colombo, 73 - Tel. 089.875.003, fax 811.844;
 info@savoiapositano.it - www.savoiapositano.it
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- "Villa delle Palme" ★★★★★** (8 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 252 - Tel/fax 089.875.162
 hotelvilladellepalme@inpositano.com -
 www.inpositano.com
 ☎ ☐ ☒
- "Villa Gabriva" ★★★★★** (7 rooms), via Pasitea, 219/227 -
 Tel. 089.811.498, fax 811.607;
 info@villagabriva.com - www.villagabriva.com
 ☎ ☐ ☒ ☒
- "Vittoria" ★★★★★** (30 rooms), via Fornillo, 19 -
 Tel. 089.875.049, fax 089.811.037;
 info@hotelvittoriapositano.com -
 www.hotelvittoriapositano.com
 ☎ ☐ ☒ ☒
- "La Bougainville" ★★★★★** (14 rooms),
 via C. Colombo, 25 - Tel. 089.875.047, fax 811.150;
 info@bougainville.it - www.bougainville.it
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- "Le Sirene" ★★★★★** (8 rooms), via Spiaggia Laurito, 24 -
 Tel/fax 089.875.490; www.lesirenepositano.com
- "Maria Luisa" ★★★★★** (10 rooms), via Fornillo, 42 -
 Tel/fax 089.875.023; info@pensionemarialuisa.com -
 www.pensionemarialuisa.com
- "Reginella" ★★★★★** (8 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 154 - Tel/fax 089.875.324;
 info@reginellahotel.it - www.reginellahotel.it
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- "Santa Caterina" ★★★★★** (10 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 113 - Tel. 089.875.019, fax 811.513
- "Villa Verde" ★★★★★** (12 rooms),
 via Pasitea, 338 - Tel/fax 089.875.506;
 info@pensionevillaverde.it - www.pensionevillaverde.it
 ☎ ☐
- "Casa Guadagno" ★★★★★** (7 rooms), via Fornillo, 36 -
 Tel. 089.875.042, fax 811.407;
 info@pensionecasaguadagno.it -
 www.pensionecasaguadagno.it

Apartment hotels

- "Villa degli Dei" ★★★★★** (6 apartments),
 via Nocelle, 11 (loc. Nocelle) -
 Tel. 089.812.351.0, fax 875.552;
 info@villadegliidei.com - www.villadegliidei.com
- "Villa Flavio Gioia" ★★★★★** (13 rooms),
 p.za Flavio Gioia, 2 - Tel. 089.875.222, fax 811.992;
 info@villaflavioGioia.it - www.villaflavioGioia.it

Restaurants

- "Adolfo"**, Laurito beach - Tel. 089.875.022
- "Bagni Arienzo"**, Arienzo beach - Tel. 089.812.002
- "Le Sirene"**, Laurito beach - Tel. 089.875.490
- "Adamo & Eva"** at Eden Roc, via G. Marconi, 110 - Tel. 089.875.844
- "Al Barilotto del Nonno"**, via Laurito, 17 - Tel. 089.875.618
- "Buca di Bacco"**, via Rampa Teglia, 4 - Tel. 089.875.699
- "Donna Rosa"**, via Montepertuso, 97/99 - Tel. 089.811.806
- "Chez Black"**, via del Brigantino, 19 - Tel. 089.875.036
- "Covo dei Saraceni"**, via Regina Giovanna, 5 - Tel. 089.875.400
- "da Costantino"**, via Corvo n.107 - Tel. 089.875.738
- "da Gabrisa"**, via Pasitea, 219/227 - Tel. 089.811.498
- "da Vincenzo"**, via Pasitea, 172/178 - Tel. 089.875.128
- "La Sponda"**, via C. Colombo, 30 - Tel. 089.875.066
- "Il Canneto"**, via G. Marconi, 87 - Tel. 089.875.881
- "Il Capitano"**, via Pasitea, 119 - Tel. 089.811.351
- "Il Forno"**, via Pasitea, 266 - Tel. 089.811.954
- "Il Grottino Azzurro"**, via G. Marconi, 158 - Tel. 089.875.466
- "Il Ritrovo"**, via Montepertuso, 77 - Tel. 089.875.453
- "Il Saraceno d'Oro"**, via Pasitea, 254 - Tel. 089.812.050
- "La Cambusa"**, p.za Vespucci, 4 - Tel. 089.875.432
- "La Marinella"**, via Positanesi d'America, 42 - Tel. 089.811.843
- "La Serra"**, via Marconi, 127 - Tel. 089.875.733
- "La Tagliata"**, via Tagliata, 22 - Tel. 089.875.872
- "La Taverna del Leone"**, via Laurito, 43 - Tel. 089.875.474
- "Le Terrazze dell'Incanto"**, via Grotte dell'Incanto, 51 - Tel. 089.875.874
- "Le Tre Sorelle"**, via del Brigantino 27/31 - Tel. 089.811.922
- "Lo Guarracino"**, via Positanesi d'America, 12 - Tel. 089.875.794
- "Max"**, via dei Mulini, 22 - Tel. 089.875.056
- "Mediterraneo"**, via Pasitea, 236 - Tel. 089.811.651
- "Next 2"**, via Pasitea, 242 - Tel. 089.812.35.16
- "O Capurale"**, via Regina Giovanna, 12 - Tel. 089.875.374, 811.188

- "Al Palazzo"**, via dei Mulini, 23 - Tel. 089.875.177
- "Poseidon"**, via Pasitea, 148 - Tel. 089.811.111
- "Pupetto"**, via Fornillo, 37 - Tel. 089.875.087
- "San Pietro"**, via Laurito, 2 - Tel. 089.875.455
- "Santa Croce"**, via Nocelle, 19 - Tel. 089.811.260
- "Valle dei Mulini"**, via Vecchia, 5 - Tel. 089.875.232

Room rental

- "Alcione Residence"** (7 rooms), via C. Colombo, 135 - Tel/fax 089.812.20.41, 333.697.909.9; info@alcioneresidence.com www.alcioneresidence.com
- "Al Barilotto del Nonno"** (5 rooms), via Laurito, 13/15 - Tel/fax 089.875.618
- "Casa Celeste"** (4 rooms), via Fornillo, 10 - Tel. 089.875.363; info@casaceleste.net - www.casaceleste.net
- "Casa Cosenza"** (7 rooms), via Trara Genoino, 18 - Tel. 089.875.063; info@casacosenza.it - www.casacosenza.it
- "Casa degli Oleandri"** (5 rooms), via degli Oleandri, 7
- "Casa Maresca"** (6 rooms), via Lepanto, 17/19 - Tel/fax 089.875.679; info@casamaresca.it - www.casamaresca.it
- "Casa Nettuno"**, via Pasitea, 208 - Tel/fax 089.875.401; info@villanettunopositano.it - www.villanettunopositano.it
- "Casa Soriano"** (6 rooms), via Pasitea, 212 - Tel/fax 089.875.494
- "Casa Teresa"** (6 rooms), via Lepanto, 39 - Tel. 338.409.152.0, 089.875.803, fax 875.075; info@casateresa.it - www.casateresa.it
- "Florida Residence"** (8 rooms), via Pasitea, 171 - Tel/fax 089.875.801, 335.594.699.4; floridaresidence@tiscalinet.it - www.floridaresidence.net
- "Il Canneto"** (6 rooms), via G. Marconi, 87 - Tel/fax 089.875.881; info@ilcannetopositano.it - www.ilcannetopositano.it
- "La Caravella"** (18 rooms), via Rampa Teglia, 23 (loc. Spiaggia Grande) - Tel. 089.875.846, 339.210.387.0, fax 089.875.936; info@lacaravellapositano.com - www.lacaravellapositano.com
- "La Fenice"** (12 rooms), via G. Marconi, 4 - Tel. 089.875.513, fax 811.309; fenicepositano@virgilio.it
- "La Rosa dei Venti"** (6 rooms), via Fornillo, 40 - Tel. 089.875.252, fax 812.35.03; info@larosadeiventini.net - www.larosadeiventini.net

"La Tavolozza" (6 rooms), via C. Colombo, 10 -
Tel/fax 089.875.040; celeste.dileva@tiscali.it

"La Taverna del Leone" (4 rooms), via Laurito, 43 -
Tel. 089.875.474, fax 812.31.68

"Palazzo Talamo" (11 rooms), via Pasitea, 117 -
Tel. 089.875.562, fax 812.33.74;
info@palazzotalamo.it - www.palazzotalamo.it

"Pupetto" (4 rooms), via Fornillo - Tel. 089.875.087

"Royal Prisco" (12 rooms), via Pasitea, 102 -
Tel. 089.812.20.22, fax 812.304.2;
info@royalprisco.com - www.royalprisco.com

"Villa Gabrisa" (7 rooms), via Pasitea, 219/227 -
Tel. 089.811.498, fax 811.607;
info@villagabrisa.com - www.villagabrisa.com

"Villa La Quercia", via Nocelle, 5 - Tel. 089.812.34.97

"Villa Maria Antonietta" (8 rooms),
via C. Colombo, 41 - Tel/fax 089.875.071;
info@villamariaantonietta.com -
www.villamariaantonietta.com

"Villa Rosa" (12 rooms), via C. Colombo, 127 -
Tel. 089.811.955, fax 812.112

"Villa La Tartana" (9 rooms), vico Savino, 6/8 -
Tel. 089.812.193, fax 812.201.2;
info@villalartana.it - www.villalartana.it

B&B

"Casa Cuccaro" (3 rooms), via Nocelle, 28 -
Tel/fax 089.875.458; info@casacuccaro.it -
www.casacuccaro.it

"Casa Giulia" (1 apartment), via Pasitea, 180 -
Tel. 089.875.128, fax 875.852

"Casa Sciablù", via Fornillo - Tel. 089.811.264

"La Maliosa d'Arienzo", via Arienzo, 74 -
Tel/fax 089.811.873; info@lamaliosa.it -
www.lamaliosa.it

"La Mammola" (1 room), via Pasitea, 42 -
Tel/fax 089.811.570; info@lamammola.com -
www.lamammola.com

"Liviezolo", via Gradoni, 11 - Tel/fax 089.875.769,
338.632.429.1; bbgliulioa@yahoo.it

"Venus Inn" (3 rooms), via Fornillo, 9 -
Tel. 338.542.853.1, fax 089.875.966;
sleepingpositano@yahoo.it -
www.sleepingpositano.com

"Villa Casola" (3 rooms), via Nocelle, 108 -
Tel. 089.466.421, fax 468.250; info@villacasola.it -
www.villacasola.it

"Villa Il Giardino" (4 rooms) via Fornillo, 82 -
Tel. 089.875.803

"Villa Oliviero" (6 rooms), via S. Andres, 6 -
Tel/fax 089.875.079

"Villa Palumbo" (3 rooms), via Pasitea, 334 -
Tel/fax 089.875.982; info@villapalumbo.it -
www.villapalumbo.it

"Villa Punta del Sole" (2 apartments),
via G. Marconi, 183 - Tel/fax 089.875.861;
info@puntadelsole.com - www.puntadelsole.com

"Villa Sofia" (2 rooms), via Nocelle, 116 -
Tel. 089.811.695, villasofiapositano@virgilio.it -
www.villasofia.org

Holiday apartments

"Alcione Residence" (2 apartments),
via C. Colombo, 135 - Tel/fax 089.812.20.41;
info@alcioneresidence.com -
www.alcioneresidence.com

"A Torretta", via C. Colombo, 36 - Tel. 089.875.039

"Cannavacciuolo Valeria",
via dell'Arco (loc. Nocelle) - Tel. 333.895.267.8

"Casa Apollonia", v.le dei Gladioli - Tel. 089.875.353

"Casa Caldiero", via Trara Genoino, 31 -
Tel. 089.875.322; info@casacaldiero.it -
www.casacaldiero.it

"Casa Giorgia", via San Giovanni, 3 -
Tel. 335.667.625.4

"Casa Monticello", via Mons. S. Cinque, 64 -
Tel. 089.811.590.339.616.410.4

"Casa Romantica", via del Canovaccio, 15 -
Tel. 339.416.161.7

"Casola Giovanni", via C. Colombo, 33 -
Tel/fax 089.875.039

"Cinque Silvio", via Marconi - Tel. 333.587.740.6

"D'Urso Renato", via Rampa Teglia - Tel. 089.875.209

"Fior di Limone", via S. Andres, 1 -
Tel. 089.875.864, fax 811.854

"Holiday House Gilda", via Arienzo, 76 -
Tel/fax 089.812.34.85; info@holidayhousegilda.it -
www.holidayhousegilda.it

"Il Mulino", via C. Colombo, 55 -
Tel. 089.875.039, 339.276.643.7

"La Caravella", via del Brigantino, 45 -
Tel. 089.875.209, 338.649.927.0

"La Roccia", via Arienzo, 53 - Tel/fax 089.875.426

"La Spiaggia", via V. Savino, 21 -
Tel. 339.150.278.0, fax 089.875.013

"Le Terrazze", via G. Marconi, 284 -
Tel. 089.875.352, fax 812.807;
info@casaleterrazze.it - www.casaleterrazze.it

“**Palazzo Talamo**” (11 rooms), via Pasitea, 117 -
Tel. 089.875.562, fax 812.33.74;
info@palazzotalamo.it - www.palazzotalamo.it

“**Punta Reginella**”, via San Giovanni, 1 -
Tel. 335.667.625.4, fax 089.875.905;
info@elisirdipositano.it

“**Rispoli Giovanni**”, via San Giovanni -
Tel. 089.875.139

“**Sentiero degli Dei**”, via Nocelle, 112 -
Tel/fax 089.875.686; klelia87@hotmail.com

“**Villa Calipè**”, via Montuori, 6 - Tel. 081.808.52.36;
interhome.santagata@interhome.it -
www.interhome.it

“**Villa Celentano**”, via Mangialupini, 13 -
Tel/fax 089.875.737, 334.356.803.0;
info@villacelentano.com - www.villacelentano.com

“**Villa Chiurli**”, via Pasitea, 123 -
Tel/fax 089.811.521, 333.500.583.1

“**Villa Clementina**”, via Liparlati - Tel. 089.875.430

“**Villa degli Dei**”, via Nocelle, 11 - Tel. 089.812.35.10

“**Villa Fiorentino**”, via G. Marconi, 150 -
Tel. 089.875.069, fax 812.048,
posimare@tiscali.it - www.villafiorentino.com

“**Villa Oliviero**”, via S. Andres, 6 -
Tel. 089.875.079, 335.689.166.1

Hostels

“**Brikette**”, via G. Marconi, 358 -
Tel. 089.875.857, fax 812.28.14

Bathing establishments

“**Adolfo**”, Laurito beach - Tel. 089.875.022

“**Bagni Arienzo**”, Arienzo beach - Tel. 089.812.002

“**da Ferdinando**”, Fornillo beach - Tel. 089.875.365

“**Grassi Giuseppe**”, Fornillo beach - Tel. 089.811.620

“**La Marinella**”, Fornillo beach - Tel. 089.875.822

“**Le Sirene**”, Laurito beach - Tel. 089.875.490

“**L'Incanto**”, Beach of Marina Grande -
Tel. 089.811.177

“**Pupetto**”, Beach of Fornillo - Tel. 089.875.087

PRAIANO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3, Castellammare di Stabia exit, then
S.S. 145 to Sorrento peninsula, then S. S. 163
Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast. From Salerno,

motorway A3, Salerno Centro or Vietri sul Mare
exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast

By train

Circumvesuviana line, station of Sorrento. Railway,
station of Salerno

Bus service

From Naples, Sorrento and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the
Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del
Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700;
www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime
Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11;
www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and
hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento:
Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline -
Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori -
Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar.
(infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

Town Hall - Tel. 089.813.19.19

Police Station - Tel. 089.813.19.28

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.875.011 (Positano)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Municipal library - Tel. 089.813.19.19

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Caracciolo, via G. Capriglione, 142 -
Tel. 089.874.846

Tourism bureaus

Information - Via G. Capriglione, 116/b -
Tel. 089.874.557 - fax 813.13.00 -
www.praiano.org - info@praiano.org

Congress facilities

“**Grand Hotel Tritone**” ★★★★★ (60 rooms),
S. S. Amalfitana 163 (via Campo, 5) -
Tel. 089.874.333, 328.10.44.380, fax 813.024;
info@tritone.it - www.tritone.it

“**Tramonto d'Oro**” ★★★★★ (2 halls, 180 seats),
via G. Capriglione, 119 -
Tel. 089.874.955, fax 874.670;
info@tramontodoro.it - www.tramontodoro.it

“**Piccolo Sant'Andrea**” ★★★ (1 hall, 100 seats),
via Campo, 15 - Tel. 089.874.498, 874.498,
fax 813.13.21

Sites and monuments

Church of San Luca Evangelista (XVI c.), built on a pre-existing church, it has a three-storey bell tower and a Baroque interior restored in 1772, with three naves. A unique example on the Coast of a church whose cupola rests directly on the apse. Inside: silver bust and relic of the Saint (1694); *Madonna con Bambino e i Santi Luca e Francesco di Paola* (*Madonna with Child and Saints Luke and Francis of Paola*) by Giovanni Bernardo Lama; wooden statues and painted panels. *La Madonna del Carmine*, *La Circoncisione* (*The Circumcision*) and *La Madonna del Rosario* (*Our Lady of the Rosary*); two organs (XVIII c.) of the Neapolitan School of music; polychrome marbles on the altar and on the balustrade; sacred furnishings - including the most venerated *Bimbo d'Argento di San Luca* (*Silver Child of S. Luke*). The floor in majolica (1789) is finely decorated.

Church of San Gennaro (XVI c., Vettica Maggiore), dedicated to the local Patron Saint. Restored in 1602, its style is Renaissance; it has three naves and above the transept an unusual oval-shaped cupola clad in polychrome tiles. Inside: the canvases *L'annunziata* (*The Annunciation*) (1696), *Il Martirio di San Bartolomeo* (*The Martyrdom of St Bartholomew*) by Giambattista Lama (1747), *La Sacra Famiglia* (*The Holy Family*) (late XVI c.).

Church and Monastery of Santa Maria a Castro (XVI

c., on the slopes of Monte Sant'Angelo a Tre Pizzi, 364 m), the monastery is on two levels (on the first: four cells of the Dominican Friars; on the other, the kitchen, oven, refectory and cistern). In the Church there is a large XV c. fresco. Venerated for many years, its images include a miraculous *Madonna delle Grazie* (*Madonna of Graces*).

Church of San Giovanni Battista (a single nave, adorned with an elegant majolated floor (XVIII c.). Inside: fresco of the *Madonna del Carmine* (XV c.); an organ of the Neapolitan School of music (1795).

Chapel of San Tommaso, single nave, with barrel vault. Inside: large crucifix of the 1770 Neapolitan School; altar piece with *Madonna e San Tommaso d'Aquino* (*Madonna and S. Thomas Aquinas*) (XVI c.).

Church of Santa Caterina d'Alessandria, near the Torre a Mare. Inside: altar in polychrome marble; canvas of the *Martirio di Santa Caterina* (*Martyrdom of S. Catherine*) (XIX c.).

Church of the Annunziata, it collapsed in the early XX century, but still has the remains of the old XVI c. statue of the *Annunziata* (*Annunciation*).

Chapel of San Nicola, inside an organ of the Neapolitan School (XVIII c.) and a painting of *San Nicola di Bari*.

Church of the Madonna di Costantinopoli, inside a large canvas depicting the great fire of the city of Constantinople.



Church of San Costanzo, of which a few ruins and some small parts of a XII c. fresco remain.

Votive Shrines (XVIII-XIX c.), along the old alleyways of the town, frescoed or majolicaed, testimonies to the faith of the people, as well as the only means of lighting the streets and helping citizens to find their way at night (at the time of oil lamps).

Coastal Towers (Sciola, Grado, a Mare, la Torricella), built to defend and protect the coast from raids from the sea, they were built not far from each other to keep watch over the landing places (Cala della Gavitella, Cala di Grado, Scaricatoio, Approdo della Praia) and to immediately signal the sighting of enemy boats, so as to allow the population to escape. Up to the end of the XVIII c. they were fortified with cannons. Then, when they no longer had a strategic and defensive role to play, they were abandoned or sold.

Nature and surroundings

Walks: to Terramare (part of the delightful Marina di Praia, a fjord-like cove bordering on the wild and rugged coastline of Furore, against the backdrop of Capo di Conca). Walk along until you double the tower, then go back to the climb of Via Terramare, continuing up to the Torre a Mare); to Gradillo (from Piazza San Luca, along Via Duomo, up to Piazzetta Moressa; continue past the little church of San Tommaso towards the belvedere that overlooks the beach of Marina di Praia and the Torre a Mare. Further along, the route forks: to the right it heads towards the beach; to the left, it continues for Furore and Bomerano (a hamlet of Agerola); to Panorami (just before the tunnel heading towards Positano, the uphill path of Via degli Ulivi there is a typical Praiano stairway climbing the hill towards Vettica Maggiore. After Via Croce, the left-hand stairway rises giddily to reach the carriageway at Capo Vettica, which offers breathtaking coastal views. When you reach the little church of Santa Maria di Costantinopoli, you will also be able to see Vettica Maggiore below you and, further on, the belvedere over Praiano, the high grounds of Agerola, the coasts of Furore, Capo di Conca, all the way along to Salerno and Cilento); to San Domenico (to reach the church of Santa Maria delle Grazie at Castro and the annexed Dominican convent, follow the first part of the previous itinerary "Panorami", but when you reach Capo Vettica take the steps of Via San Domenico; to Grado (from Piazza San Gennaro, along Via Masa below it, then bear left (turning left will take you to Gavitella, the scenic beach of Vettica Maggiore) up to the first public stairway that leads down to Torre di Grado and the sea.

Typical products

The piennolo tomatoes, lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC

Limoncello & C.:

"**Il Gusto della Costa**", via G. Capriglione, 24 - Tel. 089.813.048, fax 813.109.8; info@ilgustodellacosta.it - www.ilgustodellacosta.it (spirits, babà soaked with liqueur, marmalades, limoncello chocolate, citrus honey, "mortello" myrtle liqueur...)

Handicraft

Pottery:

"**Liz Art**", via Roma, 42 - Tel. 089.874.307

Lutes:

"**Pasquale Scala**", via Umberto I, 6 - Tel. 089.874.894

Events

"**Praiano, Open Doors**" (from May to October), guided visits to the churches and chapels of the town.

"**Festival of San Gennaro**" (1st Sunday in May); September 19th; December 16th; celebrations and church services in honour of the bishop and martyr in the church of San Gennaro at Vettica Maggiore.

"**Festival of San Luca Evangelista**", (first Sunday in July; October 18th; Easter Monday), celebrations and religious services in the church named after the Patron Saint of the town.

"**Festival of Traditional Folk Music**" (late July-late August), in 2005 the event was awarded a medal by President Ciampi. Since 2001 it has been discovering and spreading the values of traditional folk music, from Campania, Italy and other countries. A date with traditional songs, sounds, rhythms and dance (www.festivaldellatradizione.it)

"**Cantanne Magnanne - Singing and Eating**" (last week in July, Marina di Praia), tastings of typical dishes from Praiano.

"**The Lights of San Domenico**" (August 1st - 4th, Piazza San Gennaro), the participants carry unusual and fascinating candles and oil lamps, while bonfires of brushwood light up terraces, gardens, alleyways and windows across the town. The 'Luminaria' celebrates the Saint venerated in the Dominican church of Santa Maria a Castro, and reflects the symbol of the order: a dog with a torch in its mouth, which the Saint's mother dreamt of before giving birth. The symbolism is that her son, faithful as a dog, with the torch of the Word would set the world alight with Christian love. During the four evenings, the piazza is decorated with three thousand candles; every year spectacular events are

organised: fascinating and atmospheric spectacles of light, fire, dance and tastings of typical dishes of the Dominican Friars. On August 4th the religious celebrations in honour of the Saint take place in the early hours at the monastery of Santa Maria a Castro (www.luminariadisandomenico.it).

"All-Night Party on the Coast", (August 10th) a "white night", with revelry and fun all night long. Every hotel, restaurant, shop and bar stays open all night, setting the night on fire for locals and visitors, with sounds, colours, music and finger-licking food. And Praiano allows itself to be discovered, revitalised and lovingly explored along four scenic itineraries, unknown or less-known views, through intimate alleyways, admiring churches and shrines, houses, gardens and flower-decked balconies. An ingenious and extraordinary way to get to know and love local traditions.

"Festival of San Martino", (November 11th, Piazza San Luca), tastings of typical local dishes.

"Tradizionale" (Christmas Traditions) (December 8th-January 6th), the name combines Christmas with Tradition, because this event is aimed at rediscovering and making the most of our local cultural heritage and ancient traditions surrounding Christmas. The calendar is chock-full of dates, with markets selling antiques or local products; gastronomic meetings, social evenings (such as the senior citizens' dinner); special children's days (with local schools participating), musical shows, charity and cultural events. Almost all the events take place at the Pala Palgianum, the tensostructure installed in Piazza San Gennaro (www.tradizionale.it)

Museums

"Parish Museum" at the Church of San Luca Evangelista, Via Oratorio (Tel. 089.874.165), a fine and valuable collection of works of art and ecclesiastical furnishings.

Hotels

"Casa Angelina" ★★★★★ (40 rooms), via G. Capriglione, 147 - Tel. 089.813.133.3, fax 874.266; info@casangelina.com - www.casangelina.com

"Grand Hotel Tritone" ★★★★★ (60 rooms), S. S. Amalfitana 163 (via Campo, 5) - Tel. 089.874.333, 328.10.44.380, fax 813.024; info@tritone.it - www.tritone.it

"Tramonto d'Oro" ★★★★★ (38 rooms), via G. Capriglione, 119 - Tel. 089.874.955, fax 089.874.670; info@tramontodoro.it - www.tramontodoro.it

"Alfonso a Mare" ★★★ (15 rooms), via Marina di Praia, 6 - Tel. 089.874.091, fax 874.161; info@alfonsoamare.it - www.alfonsoamare.it

"Holiday" ★★★ (20 rooms), via Umberto I, 105 - Tel. 089.874.169, fax 874.041; info@holidayamalficoast.it - www.holidayamalficoast.it

"Il Pino" ★★★ (17 rooms), via G. Capriglione, 13 - Tel/fax 089.874.389; info@hotelilpino.it - www.hotelilpino.it

"La Perla" ★★★ (13 rooms), via Miglina, 2 - Tel. 089.874.052, fax 874.246; info@perlahotel.it - www.perlahotel.it

"Le Fioriere" ★★★ (14 rooms), via Nazionale, 138 - Tel. 089.874.203, fax 874.343; info@lefioriere.it - www.lefioriere.it

"Margherita" ★★★ (28 rooms), via Umberto I, 70 - Tel. 089.874.227, fax 874.628; info@hotelmargherita.info - www.hotelmargherita.info

"Onda Verde" ★★★ (25 rooms), via Terramare, 3 - Tel. 089.874.143, fax 813.104.9; info@hotelondaverde.com - www.hotelondaverde.com

"Piccolo Sant'Andrea" ★★★ (27 rooms), via Campo, 15 - Tel. 089.874.498, 874.074, fax 813.13.21

"Smeraldo" ★★★ (11 rooms), via G. Capriglione, 133 - Tel. 089.874.002, fax 874.589; info@hotelsmeraldo.it - www.hotelsmeraldo.it

"Continental" ★★ (25 rooms), via Roma, 21 - Tel. 089.874.084, fax 874.770; info@continental-positano.it - www.continental.praiano.it

"da Pellegrino" ★★ (8 rooms), via Nazionale, 190 - Tel/fax 089.874.186; info@pensione-pellegrino.it - www.pensione-pellegrino.it

"Le Sirene" ★★ (10 rooms), via San Nicola, 10 - Tel/fax 089.874.013; info@lesirene.com - www.lesirene.com

"Open Gate" ★★ (11 rooms), via Roma, 52 -
Tel/fax 089.874.148; info@hotelopengate.it -
www.hotelopengate.it
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"Villa Bellavista" ★★ (22 rooms), via Grado, 47 -
Tel/fax 089.874.054; info@villabellavista.it -
www.villabellavista.it

"Aquila" ★ (8 rooms), via degli Ulivi, 15 -
Tel/fax 089.874.065; www.pensioneaquila.it
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"Casa Alfonso" ★ (11 rooms), via Umberto I, 113 -
Tel. 089.874.048 - info@casaalfonso.it
www.casaalfonso.it

"Casa Colomba" ★ (10 rooms), via Croce, 23 -
Tel. 089.874.079, fax 874.392;
info@pensionecolomba.it - www.pensionecolomba.it

Apartment hotels

"Alfonso a Mare" (16 rooms), via Marina di Praia, 6 -
Tel. 089.874.091, fax 874.161; info@alfonsoamare.it
- www.alfonsoamare.it

"Baia Azzurra", via Marina di Praia, 6 -
Tel. 089.874.091, fax 874.161;
info@alfonsoamare.it - www.alfonsoamare.it

"Il Giardino dei Limoni", via Roma, 42 -
Tel/fax 089.874.307; info@ilgiardinodellimoni.it -
www.ilgiardinodellimoni.it

"Casa Benvenuto" (5 rooms), via Roma, 60 -
Tel. 089.874.575, fax 874.510

"Il Gelsomino" (4 camere), via Roma, 1 -
Tel/fax 089.874.468; info@ilgelsominopraiano.com -
www.ilgelsominopraiano.com

"La Conchiglia" (8 rooms), via Marina di Praia, 17 -
Tel/fax 089.874.313

"Locanda Costa Diva" (11 camere), via Roma, 15 -
Tel. 089.813.076, fax 813.12.17;
info@locandacostadiva.it - www.locandacostadiva.it

Restaurants

"Alfonso a Mare", via Marina di Praia -
Tel. 089.874.091

"Cala Paradies", via Terramare - Tel. 089.874.534

"Continental", via Roma - Tel. 089.874.084

"Il Pino", via Nazionale - Tel. 089.813.045

"Il Pirata", via Terramare - Tel. 089.874.377

"La Brace", via G. Capriglione -
Tel. 089.874.226

"La Cala delle Lampare", S. S. Amalfitana 163
(via Campo, 5) - Tel. 089.874.333

"La Gavitella", via Gavitella - Tel. 089.813.13.19

"La Strada", via G. Capriglione - Tel. 089.813.081

"Open Gate", via Roma - Tel. 089.874.210

"Petit Restaurant Bar Mare", via Marina di Praia -
Tel. 089.874.706

"Smeraldo", via G. Capriglione -
Tel. 089.874.002

"Tramonto d'Oro", via G. Capriglione -
Tel. 089.874.955

"Trattoria da Armandino", via Marina di Praia -
Tel. 089.874.087

"Trattoria San Gennaro", via G. Capriglione -
Tel. 089.874.293

"Un Piano nel Cielo", via G. Capriglione -
Tel. 089.813.13.33

Room rental

"CA' P'A - Casa Privata" (6 rooms), via Rezzola, 41 -
Tel. 089.874.078, fax 813.11.19

"Stella Marina" (4 rooms), via G. Capriglione, 123 -
Tel/fax 089.874.064; www.stella-marina-praiano.it

B&B

"De Luise Raffaele", via Costantinopoli, 31

Holiday apartments

"Casa Elisa", via San Giovanni, 18 - Tel. 089.874.088

"Casa Vacanze", via G. Capriglione, 29 -
Tel. 089.874.695

"Il Giardino dei Limoni", via Roma, 42 -
Tel/fax 089.874.307; info@ilgiardinodellimoni.it -
www.ilgiardinodellimoni.it

"Il Nido", via G. Capriglione, 40 -
Tel/fax 089.874.788

"La Baia", via Terramare - Tel. 089.874.131

"La Scaletta", via Roma, 106 - Tel/fax 089.874.434

"Li Galli", via Croce, 17 - Tel/fax 089.874.392;
marcelloamendola@tin.it

"Villa Maria Pia", via Roma, 17 - Tel/fax 089.874.207;
vincenzo.cuomo@tiscali.it

"Villino Blu", via Umberto I, 19 - Tel. 089.813.052,
fax 831.357; studio.califano@tiscalinet.it

Camping and villages

Camping "La Tranquillità",
via Roma, 2 - S. S. 163 Amalfitana km. 21,4 -
Tel. 089.874.084, fax 874.779;
info@continental-positano.it - www.continental-positano.it

Bathing establishments

"Cala Paradise", Marina di Praia, Tel. 089.874.534

"Gavitella Blu Bay", Cala della Gavitella,
Tel. 089.813.13.19

"Il Pirata", Marina di Praia, Tel. 089.874.377

"Lido Sirene" da Armandino, Marina di Praia,
Tel. 089.874.087

"One Fire Beach", Cala della Gavitella,
Tel. 089.813.039

Town Hall - Tel. 089.857.122

Police Station - Tel. 089.857.498

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.857.150

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Russo, via Boccaccio, 15 - Tel. 089.857.189

Tourism bureaus

Local Tourist Office,

via Roma, 18 bis - Tel. 089.857.096, fax 857.977;
info@ravellotime.it - www.ravellotime.it

Travel agencies

"Wagner Tours",

via Trinità, 4 - Tel. 089.858.416, 858.914;
info@wagnertours.it - www.wagnertours.it

Congress facilities

"Caruso Belvedere" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 150 seats),
p.za S. Giovanni del Toro, 2 - Tel. 089.858.801,
fax 858.806, info@hotelcaruso.net -
www.hotelcaruso.com

"Palazzo Sasso" ★★★★★ (1 hall, 60 seats),
via S. Giovanni del Toro, 28 -
Tel. 089.818.181, fax 858.900;
info@palazzosasso.com - www.palazzosasso.com

RAVELLO

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Anghi exit, then towards the Valico di Chiunzi; or Castellammare exit, then S. S. 366 to Agerola, then follow the signs to Amalfi; or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana; motorway A 30: Pagani exit, then Valico di Chiunzi. From Salerno, motorway A3, Salerno Centro or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana to the Amalfi Coast

By train

Railway, station of Salerno

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

Useful addresses



“Palumbo Residence” ★★★★★ (1 hall, 50 seats),
via S. Giovanni del Toro, 16 -
Tel. 089.857244, fax 858.133;
info@hotelpalumbo.it - www.hotelpalumbo.it

“Villa Cimbrone” ★★★★★ ((1 hall, 60 seats),
via Santa Chiara, 26 - Tel. 089.857.459, fax 857.777;
info@villacimbrone.com - www.villacimbrone.com

“Bonadies” ★★★★★ (1 hall, 120 seats),
p.za Fontana Moresca, 5 - Tel. 089.857.918,
fax 858.570; www.hotelbonadies.it

“Giordano” ★★★★★ (2 halls, 310 seats),
via Trinità, 14 - Tel. 089.857.255, fax 857.071;
www.giordanohotel.it

“Graal” ★★★★★ (1 hall, 200 seats),
via della Repubblica, 8 - Tel. 089.857.222,
fax 857.551; www.hotelgraal.it

“Marmorata” ★★★★★ (2 halls, 70 seats),
via Bizantina, 3 - Tel. 089.877.777, fax 851.189;
www.marmorata.it

“Rufolo” ★★★★★ (1 hall, 80 seats),
via San Francesco, 1 - Tel. 089.857.133,
fax 857.935; www.hotelrufolo.it

“Villa Maria” ★★★★★ (2 halls, 310 seats),
via Santa Chiara, 2 - Tel. 089.857.255, fax 857.071;
www.villamaria.it

20.00; winter 9.00-18.00. Admission: €5; groups of over 15 people, €4; children/senior citizens: €3. Built on a pre-existing Roman structure, in the shadow of an imposing 30m high entrance tower, the splendid villa on three floors shows eastern influences. The centre of the building includes a chapel with barrel vaults and a large dining hall, divided by massive columns; the Moorish cloister is memorable, a fascinating architectural jewel enclosed by a portico in the Arabian style with pointed arches supporting a double tier of loggias. The charm of this earthly paradise is at its zenith in the celebrated garden beloved by Wagner. Every year the Wagnerian Festival is celebrated here, on this terrace that hangs above the sea.

Villa Cimbrone (XX c.; Tel. 089.858.072)

Opening Hours: summer, 9.00-20.00; winter 9.00-sunset. Admission: €5; children concessions, €3; groups: 15 to 40 people (€3.10), over 40 people (€2,50). The villa was the dream and project of an eccentric and romantic English lord who here mixed styles and periods, ethnic and cultural elements, ancient finds and souvenirs from exotic journeys, in a unique, rare and poetic folly. A bizarre and genial structure sports a four-storey high battlemented tower and another smaller one, clad in small polychrome tiles of enamelled terracotta; a palazzo with fireplaces, statues, bas-reliefs, tapestries, paintings and a small convent cloister; an elegant and classical tea room with white columns and majolica pillars, and a ‘crypt’

Sites and monuments

Villa Rufolo (XIII c., Piazza del Duomo;
Tel. 089.857.657) Opening Hours: summer, 9.00-



that is actually a terrace room. Not to mention pagan reminiscences (temples, atria and statues dedicated to gods and sirens); or Eve's grotto; or the magical 'Rondinaia' ('swallows' nest) a nearby villa built into the sheer cliff face above the bay; or a magical belvedere, unique in the whole world.

Palazzo d'Afflito, rich in architectural remains from the ancient church of Sant'Eustacchio in the nearby village of Scala.

Palazzo Sasso, in Arabic style, with a belvedere clinging to the mountainside overlooking the blue sea of the Coast.

"Palazzo Confalone" (XIII c.), with a splendid internal courtyard.

Duomo (Cathedral) (XI c., Piazza del Duomo; Tel. 089.858.311) on the highest point of the town, it is dedicated to San Pantaleone; a precious ampoule holds the miraculous relic of the Patron Saint's blood, which liquefies every July 27th, the anniversary of his martyrdom. On the façade, flanked by a fine XIII c. bell tower, there is a marvellous bronze door (1179) decorated with 54 rectangular panels adorned with sculpted figures and scenes. Inside, an admirable fusion of Baroque, Arabic and Byzantine elements, real artistic masterpieces: sarcophagi, paintings, and numerous historical testimonials of its past, among which an elegant marble pulpit (XIII c.) and an ambo decorated with mosaics (XII c.). The chapel dedicated to the Saint houses various relics from the East: from wood of the Holy Cross, preserved within a silver crucifix, to the right arm of St Thomas; from the head of St Barbara to two teeth of the apostle Mathew; from a bone of St Laurence the martyr to the relics of Saints Filippo Neri, Vincent the martyr, Vito and Lucy.

Monumental complex of San Francesco (XIII c.), according to tradition it was founded by the very Saint of Assisi, on his way to Amalfi to venerate the remains of the apostle Andrew. Originally built in Gothic style, in the XVIII c. it was altered into Baroque; in front there is a covered atrium with cross vaults supported by ancient pillars and columns, which incorporates the road, transforming it into a unique public portico. There is a splendid XIII c. Cloister, which was partly modified during the XVIII c., and the hall has a balcony offering breathtaking coastal views. There is a well-stocked library annexed to the monastery. In the church, in an urn kept below the main altar, are the venerated remains of the beatified Bonaventura da Potenza, who died here in 1711.

Church and Convent of Santa Chiara (XIII c.), flanked by the eight cells of the nearby cloistered convent,

the temple of the Clarisse nuns is a small Romanesque basilica with three naves separated by two colonnades of ancient columns. Inside: majolica floor (XVIII c.), and elegant marble altars.

Church of Sant'Angelo dell'Ospedale, a small medieval church entirely dug into the rock. This aspect of it fascinated the Dutch artist Escher, who often visited it and drew it during his stay in Italy. Inside, a XIII c. pulpit of fine workmanship.

Church of San Giovanni del Toro (late X c.), it still has a precious XII c. ambo and a wooden XV c. crucifix.

Church of S. Maria a Gradillo, which has a Moorish imprint.

Church of the Santissima Annunziata, austere, decorated with grey stone inlay.

Church of San Pietro alla Costa, the oldest in town; the structure of the ancient basilica, which collapsed in the XVI century, has been rebuilt several times.

Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie (XVII c., Pendolo); mystical and ascetic, this enchanting church flanked by a bell tower sits on one of the highest terraces of the Coast.

Ruined Castle (XIII c.)

Nature and surroundings

Garden of Villa Cimbrone (Via Santa Chiara, 26 - Tel. 089.857.459). Opening Hours: from 9.00 to sunset. Admission: €5, reductions for groups (from 15 people up) www.villacimbrone.it. The luxuriant garden of the villa is scattered with statues, shrines, inscriptions, fountains, natural grottos and man-made nooks created by the bizarre and romantic English lord who owned this corner of paradise, whose Belvedere on Infinity was described by the author Gore Vidal as "the most beautiful view in the world".

Garden of Villa Rufolo, (Piazza del Duomo; Tel. 089.857.657). Opening Hours: 9.00-20.00. Admittance: €5; concessions: €3 for visitors under 12 and over 65; €4 for groups (15 people and over) www.ravellotime.it. The charm of this earthly paradise is at its zenith in the celebrated garden beloved by Wagner. Every year the Wagnerian Festival is celebrated here, on this terrace that hangs above the sea.

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, Wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC

Limoncello & C.:

"Profumi della Costiera",
via Trinità, 37 - Tel/fax 089.858.167;
info@profumidellacostiera.it -
www.profumidellacostiera.it

Wines:

Cantine "A. Sammarco",
via Civita, 43 - Tel. 089.872.544, fax 872.389;
info@cantinesammarco.com -
www.cantinesammarco.com

Wine house "Ettore Sammarco",
via Civita, 9 - Tel/fax 089.872.774;
info@ettorsammarco.it

"Episcopo Vini",
via San Giovanni del Toro, 16 - Tel. 089.857.244,
fax 858.133; info@episcopio.it - www.episcopio.it

Handicraft

Pottery:

"Factory Ceramica d'Arte Pascal",
via Roma, 22 - Tel. 089.858.576;
info@ceramichedarte.com -
www.ceramichedarte.com

"da Lena", via della Marra, 15 - via dei Rufolo, 20 -
Tel. 089.858.040, 857.438, 858.61.75;
info@cosmolena.com - www.ceramichedalena.com

Events

"Spring Concerts" March - May
(Tel. 089.857.096; www.ravello.time.it)

"Ravello Festival", July - September
(Tel. 089.858.422, 858.360, 858.62.78;
www.ravellofestival.com; www.ravelloarts.org)

"Festival of San Pantaleone", July 27th feast day of
the Patron Saint focused on the church service and
on the miracle of his blood.

"Festival of Torello", every 3rd Sunday in September

Typical markets

Every Tuesday except in August and on holidays

Museums

"Coral Museum", Piazza del Duomo, 9 -
(Tel. 089.857.461) Opening Hours: daily except for
Friday and Sunday, 9.30-12; 15 - 17.30 (on
request). The collection contains many artefacts in
coral (especially votive offerings, cameos and
engraved mother-of-pearl) and tools for working it,
masterpieces from Roman times up to the XIX c.,
including a crucifix (XVII c.), a Madonna from
1532, a Roman amphora (III c.) and 14 cherub
heads (XVIII-XIX c.).

"Museo del Duomo" (Cathedral Museum)

(Piazza del Duomo Tel. 089.858.311) Opening
hours: summer, 9.00-19.00; winter 9.00 - 18.00.
Admission: €2. The crypt of the Cathedral contains
unique and precious pieces: Roman marbles,
tombstones and sarcophagi; a marble bust (XIII c.),
considered by the experts one of the most beautiful
sculptures of the XIII c.; decorative fragments from
the Cathedral; five Roman urns (first half of the II
c.); some marble objects and a XIII c. mosaic
belonging to the basilican altar of the Cathedral;
several paintings by Andrea Sabatini and Filippo
Criscuolo; sacred paraments and sophisticated
reliquaries, among which those dedicated to St.
Barbara and St. Thomas; gold jewellery and many
other precious religious objects.

"Museum of Antiquities"

(at Villa Rufolo; Tel. 089.857.657) Open daily, 9.00-
20.00. Admission: see Garden of Villa Rufolo.
Located in Villa Rufolo, the Museum contains
numerous objects from Roman and medieval times
found locally, among which fragments from the
local Cathedral.

Hotels

"Caruso Belvedere" ★★★★★ (50 rooms),
p.za S. Giovanni del Toro, 2 - Tel. 089.858.801,
fax 858.806, info@hotelcaruso.net -
www.hotelcaruso.com (free shuttle to/fro Ravello -
Amalfi - Positano from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm)
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Palazzo Sasso" ★★★★★ (43 rooms),
via S. Giovanni del Toro, 28 - Tel. 089.818.181,
fax 858.900; info@palazzosasso.com -
www.palazzosasso.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Palumbo" ★★★★★ (20 rooms),
via S. Giovanni del Toro, 16 - Tel. 089.857.244,
fax 858.133; info@hotelpalumbo.it -
www.hotelpalumbo.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Villa Cimbrone" ★★★★★ (19 rooms),
via Santa Chiara, 26 - Tel. 089.857.459,
fax 857.777; info@villacimbrone.com -
www.villacimbrone.com
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Bonadies" ★★★★★ (40 rooms),
p.za Fontana Moresca, 5 -
Tel. 089.857.918, fax 858.570;
info@hotelbonadies.it - www.hotelbonadies.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Giordano" ★★★★★ (33 rooms),
via Trinità, 14 - Tel. 089.857.255, fax 857.071;
giordano@giordanohotel.it - www.giordanohotel.it
☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎ ☎

"Graal" ★★★★★ (44 rooms),
via della Repubblica, 8 - Tel. 089.857.222,
fax 857.551; info@hotelgraal.it - www.hotelgraal.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

"Marmorata" ★★★★★ (40 rooms),
via Bizantina, 3 - Tel. 089.877.777, fax 851.189;
info@marmorata.it - www.marmorata.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

"Rufolo" ★★★★★ (36 rooms),
via San Francesco, 1 - Tel. 089.857.133,
fax 857.935; info@hotelfrufolo.it -
www.hotelfrufolo.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

"Villa Maria" ★★★★★ (23 rooms),
via Santa Chiara, 2 - Tel. 089.857.255, fax 857.071;
villamaria@villamaria.it - www.villamaria.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

"Garden" ★★★★★ (10 rooms),
via Boccaccio, 4 - Tel. 089.857.226, fax 858.110;
info@hotelgardenravello.it -
www.hotelgardenravello.it
☎ ☑

"Le Villette" ★★★★★ (11 room),
via G. D'Anna, 6 -
Tel. 089.857.332, fax 344.485;
info@residencelevillette.it -
www.residencelevillette.it
☎ ☑ ☒

"Parsifal" ★★★★★ (19 room),
v.le Gioacchino d'Anna, 5 -
Tel. 089.857.144, fax 857.972;
info@hotelparsifal.com - www.hotelparsifal.com
☎ ☑ ☒

"Toro" ★★★★★ (10 rooms),
via Roma, 16 - Tel. 089.857.211, fax 858.592;
info@hoteltoro.it - www.hoteltoro.it

"Villa San Michele" ★★★★★ (12 rooms),
via Carusiello, 2 (loc. Castiglione) -
Tel/fax 089.872.237; smichele@starnet.it -
www.hotel-villasanmichele.it
☎ ☑ ☒ ☓ ☔

"Villa Amore" ★★★★★ (12 rooms),
via Santa Chiara, 5 - Tel. 089.857.135, fax 857.135
☎ ☑

Restaurants

"Al Ristoro del Moro", via della Repubblica, 8 -
Tel. 089.857.222

"Antica Cartiera", S. S. 163 Amalfitana -
Tel. 089.877.777

"Bonadies", p.za Fontana Moresca, 5 -
Tel. 089.857.918

"Caruso Belvedere",
p.za San Giovanni del Toro, 2 - Tel. 089.858.801

"Confalone",
via San Giovanni del Toro, 16 - Tel. 089.857.244

"Cumpa Cosimo", via Roma, 44/46 - Tel. 089.857.156

"da Salvatore", via della Repubblica, 2 - Tel.
089.857.227

"Figli di Papà", via della Marra, 7 - Tel. 089.858.302

"Garden", via Boccaccio, 4 - Tel. 089.857.226

"Il Flauto di Pan",
via Santa Chiara, 26 - Tel. 089.857.459

"La Rotonda", via La Corte, 51 - Tel. 089.898.118

"La Terrazza", c.so Umberto I, 106 - Tel. 089.825.352

"L'Eco dei Monti",
via Carmine Amato, 12 - Tel. 089.893.362

"Rossellinis",
via San Giovanni del Toro, 28 - Tel. 089.818.181

"Rufolo", via San Francesco, 1 - Tel. 089.857.133

"Villa Maria", via Santa Chiara, 2 - Tel. 089.857.255

"Vittoria", via dei Rufolo, 3 - Tel. 089.857.947

Agritourisms

"Monte Brusara" (2 rooms),
via Monte Brusara, 32 - Tel. 089.857.467;
palladino60@libero.it - www.montebusara.com

Room rental

"Al Borgo Torello" (4 rooms),
via Traglio, 24 - Tel. 089.858.164, 349.781.352.8;
info@alborgotorello.com - www.alborgotorello.com

"Boccaccio B&B" (4 rooms),
via Boccaccio, 19 - Tel. 089.857.194,
fax 858.62.79; infoboccaccio@hotmail.com -
www.boccaccioravello.com

"da Salvatore" (6 rooms),
via della Repubblica, 2 - Tel. 089.857.227,
fax 858.60.00; info@salvatoreravello.com -
www.salvatoreravello.com

"E poi Ravello" (5 rooms),
via Marmorata, 31 -
Tel. 089.851.870, fax 854.17.99;
info@epoiravello.com - www.epoiravello.com

"Giardini Calce" (3 rooms), v.le Wagner, 3 -
Tel. 089.857.152; caffecalce@tiscali.it

"Figli di Papà" (2 rooms),
via della Marra, 3 - Tel. 089.858.302

"Il Roseto" (2 rooms),
via Trinità, 37 - Tel. 089.858.649.2, fax 858.167;
info@ilroseto.it - www.ilroseto.it

"La Moresca" (3 rooms), via Lacco, 5 -
Tel. 089.857.147, 231.859

"La Rosa dei Venti" (6 rooms), via Carusiello, 27 -
Tel/fax 089.871.518; info@larosadeiventionline.com -
www.larosadeiventionline.com

B&B

"Il Giardino dei Limoni" (2 rooms),
via Casanova, 3 - Tel. 089.858.168, fax 853.539;
bucatrice@libero.it - www.giardinodeilimoni.com

"Palazzo della Marra" (1 room), via della Marra, 3 -
Tel. 089.858.302; www.palazzodellamarra.com

"Punta Civita" (2 rooms),
via Civita, 4 - Tel/fax 089.872.326;
info@puncacivita.it - www.puncacivita.it

Holiday apartments

"Antica Porta", via Roma - Tel. 089.463.525;
info@anticaporta.com - www.anticaporta.com

"Apicella Giovanni", via Trinità, 26 -
Tel/fax 089.872.212

"Casa Dipinta", via Civita, 44 - Tel. 089.872.819,
fax 873.014; info@pintosalvatore.191.it

"Casa Gradillo", via Roma, 54 - Tel/fax 089.857.169

"Casa Isolina", via San Giovanni alla Croce, 11 -
Tel/fax 089.873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com -
www.altracostiera.com

"Casa Lacco", via Lacco, 50 - Tel/fax 089.873.60.82;
info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"Casa Mansi", via G. Boccaccio, 1 - Tel. 089.858.038

"Casa Ortenzia", via Monte Brusara, 20 -
Tel. 089.790.724, 328.180.371.2

"Casa Ravello", via San Giovanni alla Costa, 2 -
Tel. 089.858.576, fax 858.60.70;
info@ravelloapartments.it -
www.ravelloapartments.it

"Civale Valeria", via Torretta Marmorata -
Tel. 089.857.661

"Colombaia", via San Pietro alla Croce, 18 -
Tel. 089.857.075

"Cristina", via Monte Brusara, 12 -
Tel. 089.858.017; teresa.21@hotmail.it -
www.amalfitouristservice.com

"De Luca Giuseppe", via della Repubblica, 4 -
Tel. 089.301.333

"I Limoni", via della Repubblica, 5 - Tel. 089.858.332

"La Casarella",
via dei Fusco, 13 - Tel/fax 089.871.013, 873.60.82;
info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"La Felce", via S. Trifone, 4 -
Tel. 089.857.321, francesca_esposito@alice.it -
www.altracostiera.com

"La Principessa", via San Giovanni del Toro, 11 -
Tel. 081.558.00.18, 339.230.911.4,
fax 081.228.59.44

"La Quiete", via San Martino, 6 -
Tel/fax 089.873.60.82, 871.123;
info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"Loggetta", via Loggetta, 9 - Tel. 089.873.344,
fax 873.369; info@amalficoastrental.com -
www.positanovillas.it

"Lucibello Mose", via Roma, 25 - Tel. 089.857.076;
www.ravellolucibello.com

"Pagliarulo", via Marmorata - Tel/fax 089.831.256;
info@amalfivacation.it - www.amalfivacation.it

"Parsifal", via San Pietro alla Costa, 3 -
Tel. 339.308.868.9

"Prunus", via Monte Brusara, 19/a -
Tel. 089.858.107, 338.399.591.6

"Residence Villa Rosa", via Valle del Dragone -
Tel. 348.319.666.9; residencevillarosa@tin.it -
www.residencevillarosa.it

"Rosella", via Trinità, 15 - Tel. 089.857.075

"Ruocco Giovanni", via Monte Brusara, 19/a -
Tel/fax 081.929.111, 517.81.49

"Villa Scarpariello", via Carusiello, 32/34 -
Tel/fax 089.872.373; scarpariello@amalfi.it -
www.amalfi.it/scarpariello

"Villa Civile", via Civita, 19 - Tel. 089.871.972

"Villa Ravello", via Loggetta, 25 - Tel. 0577.576.350,
347.122.236.4, fax 081.426.876, 0577.576.306;
www.cuendet.com

Bathing establishments

"Lido di Castiglione", loc. Castiglione di Ravello -
Tel. 089.872.788

SCALA

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Anghi exit, then towards the Valico di Chiunzi; or Castellammare exit, then S. S. 366 to Agerola, then follow the signs to Amalfi; or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana; motorway A 30: Pagani exit, then Valico di Chiunzi; from Salerno: S. S. 163 Amalfitana

By train

Railway, station of Salerno and Gragnano

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

Useful addresses

Town Hall - Tel. 089.857.115

Police Station - Tel. 089.857.080

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.857.150 (Ravello)

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy San Lorenzo, p.za Municipio, 14 -
Tel. 089.857.322

Tourism bureaus

Visitors' office, p.za Municipio, 13 -
Tel. 089.857.115, 338.649.931.5
(Mr. Luigi Di Lascio, general secretary)

Congress facilities

"**La Margherita Villa Giuseppina**" ★★★ (2 halls,
150 seats), via Torricella, 31 - Tel. 089.857.106,
857.219, fax 857.183; www.lamargheritahotel.it

Sites and monuments

Scala comprises six districts: Centro, Minuta,
Pontone, Campidoglio, San Pietro, Santa Caterina.

CENTRO

Cathedral of San Lorenzo (XII c.), the earlier church in Romanesque style was restructured in the XVII-XVIII c. but the original portal has been preserved. Inside, the vast space comprises three finely decorated naves, with painted ceiling (1748) and canvases about the life of St Laurence. In the beautiful crypt an extraordinary wood carving of a group representing the Deposition (second half of XIII c.) and a striking tomb in coloured stucco (1332).

Monastery of the Santissimo Redentore (XVII c.),
in Via Largo Monastero

Palazzo Mansi - d'Amelio (façade XVIII c.),
Via Torricella

Chapel of Sant'Alfonso, Via Torricella: this chapel contains the grotto in which St Alfonso used to retire to pray.

MINUTA

Church of the Santissima Annunziata (XI - XII c., Minuta), a magnificent example of medieval art, this is where the city's parliament used to meet. Outside: in a lunette on the central door, a fresco of the Madonna and Child (XV c.). Inside: in the crypt religious frescos on the XI and XII c. vaults and walls.

Remains of the Church of Sant'Eustachio (XII c.)

Arab Bath, not far from the ruins of Sant'Eustachio, near the 'casa nobile' there is an Arab bath comprising small rooms which alternated hot, warm and cold water, according to the Eastern and Roman custom.



PONTONE

Church of San Giovanni Battista (XII c., later adapted), St John the Baptist's is the most important church of this medieval village; the pensile arch of the entrance reveals its Romanesque origin. A fine three-storey bell tower, clad in stones and intarsia. Inside: canvases from different periods (from XVI c. on); the altar has an interesting reredos in polychrome gilded wood, with small canvases about John the Baptist and a majestic wooden statue.

Church of San Filippo Neri (X c., later restructured), it has a fine square-shaped bell tower in 'pietra viva' ('live stone' or marble stucco).

Casa 'Vescovile' ("Bishop's" House) in Via Rosca, part has collapsed, but its medieval structure is still visible.

Casa Verrone, the style is XVI c., but the house is much older.

Church of Santa Maria del Carmine (medieval, but altered in the XVIII c.), it has a single nave and is a very rare example on the Amalfi coast of a church built to embody the ideas and the spirit of the Counter-Reformation.

Tower of Ziro on the mountain of Pontone that overlooks Amalfi and Atrani: the cylindrical structure of the medieval tower is well preserved.

CAMPIDOGLIO

Ruins of San Cataldo, all that remains of the church of the former Benedictine monastery are some ruins.

Church of San Giovanni dell'Acqua (XII sec.), an elegant three-tier bell tower and inside interesting marble remains

Church of the Annunziata, half way up the mountainside, below the road. In the bell tower three bells (two are from the XVII c., the other from the XV c.).

SAN PIETRO

Church of Santa Maria della Neve
(Our Lady of Snow)

Palazzo De Saxo

Church of San Pietro, which contains memorabilia of the aristocratic family of Friar Gerardo de Saxo, founder of the Sovereign Order of Malta. Inside: a fine statue of St Michael and an important bas-relief of St Catherine (both of the XIV c.).

SANTA CATERINA

Church of Santa Caterina, with three naves. Inside: wooden statue of St Catherine; two paintings of St Lucy and St Agnello.

Nature and surroundings

"National Nature Reserve of the Valle delle Ferriere" (Tel. 089.873.043: this is the number to phone to book a guided tour and find out about the environmental activities organised by the Park's educational workshop. The Park is in Pontone, Via Noce 2; info@valledelleferriere.com - www.valledelleferriere.com). Founded in 1972, the "Ferriere" nature reserve is in the northern part of the valley, near Amalfi. It covers 445 hectares on the Amalfi side of the Sorrento Peninsula in a large valley between the Monti di Scala and the Vallone Grevone, on the border between Amalfi and Agerola. The torrent Canneto runs through the whole of the valley. The valley's name, "delle Ferriere", refers to the old ironworks that are dotted around it. The valley is shady and leafy, with a luxuriant vegetation; water from the surrounding mountains cascades into the valley, creating waterfalls and chutes, cataracts and torrents of all shapes and sizes. Admission to the nature reserve must be authorised by the State Forestry Corps; admission is only granted for research and educational reasons, nature excursions, administration and surveillance; all other activity is forbidden.

Excursion to the Tower of Ziro: the route leaves from Santa Maria del Carmine (Pontone) to visit the ruins of the castle of Scalella, on the rocky peak between Amalfi and Atrani, the most advanced point of the fortifications, with enclosures, battlemented walls, remains of aqueducts, gates, and the cylindrical Tower of Ziro.

Grotto of Scala, in the valley of the river Dragone, of dark dolomitic limestone of the early Cretaceous period (c. 70 million years ago), which formed when the Amalfi-Sorrento peninsula was far less high above sea level. Beautiful 300 metre-long hypogaeal passageways: fascinating and frightening.

Typical products

Chestnuts, grapes, lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, the piennolo tomatoes

Events

"Procession of the Battenti", the procession of the 'Flagellants' takes place on Maundy Thursday night, accompanied by traditional penitential dirges.

"Procession of the Dead Christ", on Good Friday afternoon, the heart-rending rites of the Passion and the funeral procession.

"Festival of San Lorenzo", August 10th: celebrations for the feast day of St Laurence: a religious procession, a brass band concert (there is also a

concert on the eve of the feast day), stalls and a firework display.

"Scala Meets New York", August 11th-September 11th a month chock-full of cultural events and shows, music and debates, in which the theme is Peace, or rather "a time to reflect in the context of the commemorations of the tragic attack on the Twin Towers". This initiative is an opportunity to reinforce dialogue, understanding and integration between peoples, and to increase in the collective consciousness the awareness of the values of peace, brotherhood and respect of universal human rights. The events are organised by the Associazione "Scala nel Mondo" - Tel. 089.857.688; www.scalanelmondo.org.

"Chestnut Festival", 2nd and 3rd weekends of October: shows and music accompany the tasting of thousands of dishes based on chestnuts.

"The Descent of the Star", December 24th and January 6th the procession and living crib wait for the luminous descent of a comet made of fireworks.

Museums

Municipal museum being setup, p.za Municipio

Hotels

"La Margherita Villa Giuseppina" ★★★ (28 rooms), via Torricella, 31 - Tel. 089.857.106, 857.219, fax 857.183; info@lamargheritahotel.it - www.lamargheritahotel.it



"Zi 'Ntonio" ★★★ (20 rooms), via Torricella, 39 - Tel. 089.857.118, fax 858.128; zintonio@zintonio.com - www.zintonio.com



Restaurants

"da Lorenzo", via Fra G. Sasso, 10 - Tel. 089.858.290

"La Margherita", via Torricella, 31 - Tel. 089.857.106, 857.219

"La Piccola California", via Senito - Tel. 089.858.042

"Lo Sperone", via Senito, 18 - Tel. 089.858.388

"San Giovanni", via Santa Maria, 2 - Tel. 089.872.582

"Zi 'Ntonio", via Torricella, 39 - Tel. 089.857.118

Pizzeria **"Il Pinguino"**, via Fra G. Sasso, 5 - Tel. 089.857.304

Pizzeria **"Palumbo Silvio"**, via Santa Maria - Tel. 089.872.582

Agritourisms

"Acquabona", via Acquabona - Tel/fax 089.858.023, 328.201.043.3; info@acquabona.net - www.acquabona.net

Room rental

"Villa Lydia" (1 flatlet, 1 four beds, 1 three beds, 2 two beds; or 2 apartments), via Valle del Dragone, 2 - Tel. 339.354.024.5, 089.872.410; info@villalydia.com - www.villalydia.com

B&B

"Palazzo Verone" (2 rooms), via Casa Verone, 4 - Tel. 089.871.086, 347.119.166.4

Holiday homes

"Campidoglio", via San Giovanni Decollato, 1 - Tel. 089.857.171, fax 873.60.82; info@altracostiera.com - www.altracostiera.com

"Villa Sant'Alfonso Residence", via Provinciale, 11 - Tel. 338.620.887.2, 089.858.61.13, fax 858.61.12; info@villasantalfonso.com - www.villasantalfonso.com

"Villa Santa Maria", via Fra G. Sasso, 15 - Tel. 089.857.373

TRAMONTI

How to get there

By car

Motorway A3 Naples - Salerno, Angri exit, then Valico di Chiunzi; or Vietri sul Mare exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana; on A 30 Rome - Caserta - Salerno, Pagani exit, then Valico di Chiunzi; on Reggio Calabria - Salerno, Salerno exit, then S. S. 163 Amalfitana, then via Provinciale Nuova Chiunzi

By train

Railway, station of Salerno

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.856.801

Police Station - Tel. 089.856.800

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.876.031

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Campitiello, via Roma, 5 (loc. Polvica) - Tel. 089.876.047

Pharmacy Pello, via Forno Vecchio Giovanni Sclavo, 40 - Tel. 089.876.472

Municipal library - Tel. 089.856.811

Tourism bureaus

Pro Loco - Tel. 089.856.826;
info: Mr. Domenico Amatruda - Tel. 349.162.658.8

Sites and monuments

Church of Sant'Erasmo (XV c., Pucara) temple with a single nave, it contains some canvases attributed to Luca Giordano (the church is only open during services).

Tower of Chiunzi (XI c.), at the pass with the same name. It is one of the last well-conserved bastions of the imposing Amalfi defensive system that controlled the plain of Agro, Nocera and Sarno, the Vesuvius, Naples, the Phlegrean Fields...

Remains of the Castle of Santa Maria la Nova (Santa Maria la Nova), the fortification was named after a chapel dedicated to the Madonna. The ancient *castrum* dates back to the mid XVI c.; its structure included curtain walls protected by ten turrets and seven square half-bastions, with cisterns and a bell to sound the alarm in case of enemy attacks.

Remains of the Castle of Montalto (Cesarano), this medieval donjon (XII c.), which is now partly

concealed by the vegetation, once stood proud on Mount Trivento or Montalto, between the Valle di Tramonti and the territory of Ravello. It had a rectangular plan, a keep and cistern, all built in the local limestone.

Archaeological Excavations (Polvica), a rustic villa from Roman times and other finds from the Hellenistic period to the Middle Ages. Authorisation for access, for research reasons, should be requested from the Office of Archaeological Heritage.

Church and Monastery of San Francesco (XV c., Polvica), this building with its simple but powerful structure, which developed around the central courtyard, dominates the village. To visit the church ask the Franciscan Friars at the monastery; the latter also offers accommodation.

Rupestrian chapel of San Michele Arcangelo (XIII c., Gete), this square-plan area, divided into two naves and covered by cross vaults with pointed arches (to visit, contact the parish priest of the nearby church of San Michele Arcangelo).

Other Monuments Paterno S. Elia: Church of Sant'Elia (fresco of the Pietà); Polvica: Church of San Giovanni Battista; Figlino: Church of San Pietro Apostolo (Baroque style, with stuccos and majolica floor); Pietre: Church of San Felice della Tenda (single nave, restructured after the 1688 earthquake); Cesarano: Church of the Assunta (restored in 1932); Capitignano: Church of the



Madonna della Neve; Corsano: Church of San Pietro Apostolo; Camponara: Romanesque parish church of Santa Maria della Neve; (Campinola): Church of San Giovanni Battista; Pucara: Royal Conservatory of Santi Giuseppe e Teresa (XVIII c.) and the beautiful church of Sant'Erasmus (XV c.), single nave; Novella: picturesque Baroque block, once renowned for its dairy production and, at the centre of the piazza, the small Church of San Bartolomeo; Figline: Church of San Pietro, Baroque, with stuccos by Vaccari, a fine XVIII c. floor, a valuable marble bas-relief (XII c.) and elegant bell tower; Gete: Church of San Michele (XVIII c.), which has the beautiful statue of St Michael the warrior Archangel, moved here from the 'angel's cave' (see below);

Nature and surroundings

In the green heart of the Amalfi Coast, **Tramonti** is surrounded by 145 hectares of woodland, rich in watercourses and springs. Extraordinary panoramas and views from all thirteen of the hamlets that comprise this town, unusual for the large area it covers (rather than a real Municipality it is a community scattered over crests and sparsely populated planes comprising thirteen hamlets), and unique for its rugged beauty. The 13 hamlets are: Pucara, Novella, Gete, Ponte, Campinola, Corsano, Cesarano, Pietre, Capitignano, Figline, Paterno S. Arcangelo, Paterno S. Elia, Polvica

Typical products

Lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP, Wine "Costa d'Amalfi" DOC, chestnuts, walnuts, dried figs, sweet aubergines

Wines & distillates:

"**Giuseppe Apicella**", via Castello Santa Maria, 1 (loc. Capitignano) - Tel. 089.856.209, fax 876.075; api.fio@libero.it - www.giuseppeapicella.it

"**San Francesco**", via Sofilciano, 18 (loc. Corsano) - Tel. 089.876.748

Vini "**Reale**", via Cardamone, 75 (loc. Gete) - Tel. 089.856.144, fax 853.232; info@osteriareale.it - www.osteriareale.it

"**Monte di Grazia**" Azienda Agricola Biologica, via R. Orsini, 36 - Tel. 089.876.906

Limoncello & spirits:

"**Badia**", p.za Cesarano - Tel. 089.855.344

"**Lidit**", via C. Pisacane, 49 (loc. Pucara) - Tel. 089.855.397; www.limoncello.sa.it

"**Tentazioni**", via Santa Croce, 4 (loc. Pucara) - Tel. 089.855.401, fax 876.147; www.liquorificiententazioni.it

Dairy products & cheese:

"**Al Valico**", via Chiunzi (loc. Campinola) - Tel. 089.856.205

"**Antica Latteria**", via Forno Vecchio (loc. Gete) - Tel. 089.876.920

"**Campanile AnnaDora**", via Trugnano (loc. Corsano) - Tel. 089.876.570

"**Falcone Mariannina**", via Falcone (loc. Cesarano) - Tel. 089.876.424

"**Oliva Adolfo**", via Trugnano (loc. Corsano) - Tel. 089.876.605

"**Taiani Lidia**", via Pisacane (loc. Capitignano) - Tel. 089.876.082

"**Vicedomini**", via di Lieto (loc. Cesarano) - Tel. 089.876.975

"**Vitagliano Maurizio**", via San Sebastiano (loc. Campinola) - Tel. 089.876.079

Handicraft

Wrought iron:

"**Arte del Ferro Amato Erasmo**", via Ferriera, 15 - Tel. 089.876.868

Paper:

"**L'Antica Cartiera Amalfitana**", loc. Pucara - Tel. 089.855.432

Chestnut baskets:

"**Amarante Luigi**", p.za Corsano - Tel. 089.876.357

"**Corridore Aniello**", via C. Di Lieto (loc. Cesarano) - Tel. 089.855.360

"**Marino Nicola**", p.za Figline - Tel. 089.876.376

Events

"**Art and Literature Prize of the Town of Tramonti**" (for Italian artists, poets and writers), between March and May.

"**Pizza Festival**", early August

"**Goblets of Stars**" August 10th: a "showcase of typical products", focusing on wine, but not only: in other words an appointment to promote and enhance the area's resources, integrating historical, cultural and rural traditions of food and wine, in an event that takes place under the shooting stars of the night of St Laurence (www.cittadelvino.com).

"**Festival of Short Films**", August 17th-18th

"**Treasure Hunt**", August 17th-18th

Hotels

“**Gli Ontani**” ★★★ (11 rooms),
via Valico di Chiunzi, 93 - Tel. 089. 876.974,
fax 856.707; eucalypto@libero.it
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“**Pucara**” ★★★ (6 rooms), loc. Pucara -
Tel. 089.855.416, 852.048, fax 854.186.5;
info@pucara.it - www.pucara.it
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“**Novella Holidays**” ★★ (9 rooms) via Novella, 1 -
Tel/fax 089.876.875, 338.370.802.7;
info@novellahotel.it - www.novellahotel.it

Restaurants

“**Al Valico**”, via Croce dell'Arco, 91 (loc. Campinola) -
Tel. 089.876.165

“**Antichi Sapori**”, via Chiunzi (loc. Campinola) -
Tel. 089.876.491

“**Apicella**”, p.za Polvica - Tel. 089.876.020

“**Black Little Horse**”, p.za Corsano -
Tel. 089.876.002

“**Collina Verde**”, via C. di Lieto, 75 (loc. Cesarano) -
Tel. 089.855.338

“**Europa**”, via Santa Maria la Neve, 15 -
Tel. 089.856.053

“**Il Castagneto**”, via Chiunzi, 51 -
Tel. 089.876.122

“**Il Frescale**”, via Fiscale (loc. Figlino) -
Tel. 089.876.317

“**Antichi Sapori**”, via Chiunzi (loc. Campinola) -
Tel. 089.876.491

“**La Violetta**”, via Valico di Chiunzi, 95
(loc. Campinola) - Tel. 089.876.384

“**Le Querce**”, via Chiancolelle (loc. Campinola) -
Tel. 347.307.481.0

“**L'Infinito**”, via C. di Lieto, 46 (loc. Cesarano) -
Tel. 089.855.264

“**Osteria Reale**”, via Cardamone, 75 (loc. Gete) -
Tel. 089.856.144

“**Santa Rosa**”, via Di Lieto (loc. Cesarano) -
Tel. 089.855.340

“**Torre Orsini**”, via Chiunzi, 89 - Tel. 089.876.138

“**Zio Nino**”, via C. Pisacane (loc. Pucara) -
Tel. 089.855.407

“**Pizzeria Vaccaro**”, via Vaccaro, 80 (loc. Campinola) -
Tel. 089.876.140

“**Pub San Francesco**”, p.za Polvica -
Tel. 339.440.104.1

Agritourisms

“**Costiera Amalfitana**” (4 rooms), via Falcone, 21
(loc. Pietre) - Tel/fax 089.856.192;
info@costieraamalfitana.it -
www.costieraamalfitana.it

“**Il Frescale**” country house (4 rooms), via Fiscale
(loc. Pietre) - Tel. 089.876.317, fax 856.58.77;
info@ilfrescale.it - www.ilfrescale.it

“**Il Raduno**”, via De Mattei, 11 (loc. Capitignano) -
Tel. 089.856.102

“**Mare e Monti**” (8 rooms), via Trugnano, 3
(loc. Corsano) - Tel/fax 089.876.665

“**Monte di Grazia**” Enoturismo, via R. Orsini, 36 -
Tel/fax 089.876.906; montedigrizia@hotmail.it

Room rental

“**Farfalle e Gabbiani**” (6 rooms), via Casa Pepe, 1
(loc. Campinola) - Tel/fax 089.856.469,
320.837.386.9; costamalfi@costamalfifyroom.it -
www.costamalfifyroom.it

“**Osteria Reale**” (3 rooms), via Cardamone, 75
(loc. Gete) - Tel. 089.856.144

“**Pucara**” (14 apartments), loc. Pucara -
Tel. 089.852.048, 855.416, fax 854.186.5;
info@pucara.it - www.pucara.it

B&B

“**Il Pagliaio**” (3 rooms), via Foria, 73/n
(loc. Cesarano) - Tel. 089.876.267, 338.135.043.3

“**Nirvana**” (2 rooms), via G. Scavo, 61 (loc. Gete) -
Tel/fax 089.876.649; dimartinoanna1975@libero.it

Holiday apartments

“**Casa per vacanze**”, via Lauro (loc. Corsano) -
Tel. 089.876.056

Hostels

“**Amici di San Francesco**” (25 beds), via Municipio, 17 -
Tel/fax 089.876.019

VIETRI SUL MARE

How to get there

By car

Motorway A 3, Vietri sul Mare exit.
From Salerno, S. S. 163 Amalfitana

By train

Railway, stations of Vietri sul Mare and Salerno

Bus service

Daily connections to Naples and Salerno

By sea

From Naples, Molo Beverello: hydrofoils to the Sorrento Peninsula - Positano - Amalfi: Metrò del Mare (the sea metro, infoline - Tel. 199.600.700; www.metrodelmare.com); Linee Marittime Partenopee (infoline - Tel. 081.704.19.11; www.consorziolmp.it)

From Salerno, p.za della Concordia: ferries and hydrofoils to the Amalfi Coast - Capri - Sorrento: Linee Marittime Salernitane (infoline - Tel. 089.234.892)

From Amalfi: ferries and hydrofoils to Minori - Amalfi - Positano - Sorrento: Tra. Vel. Mar. (infoline - Tel. 089.872.950)

Useful addresses

City Hall - Tel. 089.763.811

Police Station - Tel. 089.210.113

Carabinieri - Tel. 089.210.040

Fire brigade - Tel. 115

Medical ambulance - Tel. 118

First-aid station - Tel. 081.936.81.76

Pharmacy Bindo, via Vallone, 55 - Tel. 089.211.949

Pharmacy Cartolano,
c.so Umberto I, 120 - Tel. 089.210.181

Pharmacy Ginetti,
via Guariglia, 1 (loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.761.633

Pharmacy Ginetti, via G. Pellegrino, 148 (loc. Marina) -
Tel. 089.761.362

Pharmacy Montera, c.so Umberto I, 98 -
Tel. 089.210.097

Library (at Gruppo Habitat di Raito,
via C. Guariglia, 31) - Tel. 089.763.016

Tourism bureaux

Tourism Centre ACLI, p.za Matteotti -
Tel/fax 089.211.285

Travel agencies

"Amalfitana Leo Viaggi", c.so Umberto I, 1 -
Tel. 089.761.616,

"A.P.M. Tour operator",
via G. Mazzini, 43 - Tel. 089.311.00.22,
311.00.23, fax 311.00.21

Congress facilities

"Hotel Raito" ★★★★★ (5 halls, 700 seats),
via Nuova Raito, 9 (loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.763.41.11

fax 763.48.01; main@hotelraito.it - www.hotelraito.it

"Lloyd's Baia" ★★★★★ (6 halls, 500 seats),
via De Marinis, 2 - Tel. 089.763.31.11,
fax 763.36.33; www.sogliahotels.com

"Bristol" ★★★ (2 halls, 250 seats),
via C. Colombo, 2 - Tel. 089.210.800, fax 761.170;
www.hotelbristolvietri.com

"La Lucertola" ★★★ (2 halls, 280 seats),
via C. Colombo, 29 - Tel. 089.210.255, fax 210.223;
www.hotellalucertola.it

"Vietri" ★★★ (1 hall, 90 seats), via O. Costabile, 31 -
Tel/fax 089.210.400; www.hotelvietri.com

Sites and monuments

Church of San Giovanni Battista (XVIII c.), the parish church of St John the Baptist in the old town centre has a Latin cross plan, with a single nave and a transept, a splendid cupola covered in yellow, green and blue majolica tiles, a tall bell tower and a XVI c. façade. The earlier temple (X c.), was altered various times over the centuries, keeping curious traces of each subsequent style (Romanesque, Renaissance, Baroque). Inside: an elegant main altar with marble inlays (1650); a fabulous coffered ceiling in pure gold (XVIII c.), sadly deprived of the fifteen paintings attributed to De Mura; an extraordinary statue of St John the Baptist in alabastrine, a marvellous polyptych (XVI c.) attributed to Andrea da Salerno; a gorgeous Crucifix painted on a wooden panel (XI c.).

Church of the Madonna delle Grazie (XVI c., Raito), three naves, Latin-cross structure. Inside: frescos from Solimena's Neapolitan School; a marble altar frontal with the dead Christ adorned with Angels; on the main altar, a XVI c. canvas depicting the Madonna delle Grazie (Our Lady of Graces); a statue of the Virgin (XIX c.), which is carried in procession on the feast day.

Archconfraternity of the Annunziata e Santissimo Rosario

Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie (Benincasa)

Church of Santa Margherita (Albori)

Old Town Centre, called Ciropollo

Palace of the Guards

Palazzo Pinto

Palazzo Solimena

La Crestarella Tower

Vito Bianchi Tower (Marina)

Watch Tower (Marina d'Albori)

Nature and surroundings

Surrounded by luxuriant vegetation, **Vietri** lies at the foot of mount San Liberatore and dominates the valley of the river Bonea, which leads to Marina di Vietri, a village of white cottages overlooking an extraordinary beach. Here a pair of 'faraglioni' (known as "I Gemelli") (The Twins) tell of an ancient sea legend, according to which they were placed there by the sea god in person, to honour two shepherd brothers.

Oasi di Bosco Croce (Oasis of the Croce Woodland) (Albori), at the foot of Mount Falerio, abounding in water (from the Cesare spring), it comprises an area of flourishing Mediterranean woodland (ilex, arbutus, myrtle, phillyrea, laurel, tree heath, rosemary, thyme...) and an area of typical Amalfi landscape: terraced and cultivated with vines and orchards. In the most secluded nooks and crannies lurks the carnivorous plant *Pinguicula hirtiflora*. The peregrine falcon nests on the mountain; the territory also houses many birds (the raven, buzzard, falcon, sparrow hawk, owl and tawny owl...), mammals (the fox, boar, badger, beech-marten...), reptiles (coluber, four-lined ratsnake, natrix) and amphibians (amongst others, the rare spectacled salamander).

Hamlets of Molina (with a wealth of water mills)
Benincasa and Dragonea.

Typical products

The piennolo tomatoes, lemon "Costa d'Amalfi" IGP
Limoncello & C.:

- "**Liquorificio Tresòli**", via XXV Luglio, 13 -
Tel. 089.761.176 (mandarin liqueur, fennel liqueur,
liquorice liqueur, limoncello, limoncello babà)
- "**Shaker**", via del Travertino - Tel. 089.761.717
(mandarin liqueur, fennel liqueur, laurel liqueur,
lemon cream, chocolate cream, limoncello,
limoncello babà...)

Handicraft

Pottery:

- "**Buonocore Antonio & Vicinanza Camillo**",
via Mazzini, 50 - Tel/fax 089.761.806
- "**Ceramica Armenante**", c.so Umberto I, 144 -
Tel. 089.212.406, fax 761.851
- "**Ceramica Artistica di Solimene Vincenzo**",
via Madonna degli Angeli, 7 - Tel. 089.210.243,
fax 212.539; www.ceramicasolimene.com
- "**Ceramica Artistica Falcone**", c.so Umberto I, 140 -
Tel. 089.212.415, fax 461.503;
www.ceramicaartisticafalcone.com
- "**Ceramica Artistica La Tornietta**", via G. D'Amico, 98
(loc. Molina) - Tel. 089.761.591, fax 761.591;
latornietta@libero.it
- "**Ceramica Cassetta Stefano**", via Mazzini, 149 -
Tel/fax 089.761.791
- "**Ceramica d'Acunto**", c.so Umberto I, 61 -
Tel. 089.761.148; www.dacuntoceramics.com
- "**Ceramica d'Acunto Antonio**", via De Marinis, 33 -
Tel. 089.211.143
- "**Ceramica d'Amore**", via De Marinis (loc. Molina) -
Tel. 089.463.900, fax 340.144;
www.ceramicadamore.com
- "**Ceramica de Rosa**", via Travertino -
Tel/fax 089.210.950
- "**Ceramica Daedalus Vietri**", via Roma, 11 -
Tel. 089.211.333, fax 210.480; www.daedalus.it
- "**Ceramica Margherita**", via Case Sparse, 20
(loc. Molina) - Tel. 089.210.694, fax 763.726;
www.ceramicamargherita.com
- "**Ceramiche Massimino**", via De Marinis, 20
(loc. Molina) - Tel. 089.211.392, fax 763.712;
ceramiche.massimino@virgilio.it
- "**Ceramica Solimene**", via Costiera Amalfitana, 10 -
Tel. 089.212.586; www.solimene.com
- "**Ceramica Nello**", via D. Taiani, 73 -
Tel/fax 089.763.115; www.ceramicanello.com
- "**Ceramica Pinto**", c.so Umberto I, 31 -
Tel. 089.210.271, fax 212.299;
www.pintoceramica.it
- "**Ceramica Rifa**", via De Marinis, 15 (loc. Molina) -
Tel. 089.210.554; www.ceramicarifa.it
- "**Ceramica Romolo Apicella**", c.so Umberto I, 166 -
Tel/fax 089.211.680; www.ceramica-
romoloapicella.com
- "**Ceramica Sara**", via Costiera Amalfitana, 14/16 -
Tel/fax 089.210.053
- "**Ceramica Vietri Art**", p.za Matteotti, 156 -
Tel/fax 089.211.812
- "**Ceramica Vietri Italy**", via Fiume (loc. Molina) -
Tel. 089.763.108, fax 763.113; www.vietritrity.it
- "**Ceramica Vietri-Scotto**", via Lungomare Bonea, 56
(loc. Marina) - Tel/fax 089.210.197;
www.vietriscotto.it
- "**Ceramiche d'Autore - Nicola Avossa**",
c.so Umberto I, 81 - Tel. 089.211.870, fax 336.284
- "**Ceramvietri**", via Chellavanna, 101 (loc. Molina) -
Tel. 089.763.119, fax 261.907;
info@ceramvietri.com

“Cotto Artistico Vietrese”, via Travertino, 17 -
Tel/fax 089.211.894

“Fasano Alfonso”, via E. De Marinis, 45 (loc. Molina)
Tel/fax 089.211.598

“Graziuso Antonietta”, via Mazzini, 23 -
Tel. 089.211.706

“I Cocci”, via Case Sparse, 9 - Tel/fax 089.210.003

“Il Vasaio Vietrese”, via D. Taiani, 110 -
Tel/fax 089.211.435, 340.529.406.2

“Landi Giuseppe”, via Chellavanna, 51 (loc. Molina) -
Tel/fax 089.211.819

“Solimene Ceramica”, via Travertino, 1 (via Case Sparse,
loc. Fontanavecchia) - Tel. 089.210.188, 211.837,
fax 761.319; www.solimene-ceramica.com

“Solimene Arte e Tradizione Vietrese”, via Monastero
(trav. Stazione Ferroviaria) - Tel. 089.763.22.10,
fax 211.435; www.solimene.net

“CE.AR.”, via De Marinis, 26 (loc. Molina) -
Tel. 089.211.743, fax 763.761

“Fornace ceramica d’Arte”, via Costiera Amalfitana, 11 -
Tel. 089.210.596; www.solimene-ceramica.com

“La Vietrese”, via De Marinis, 58 (loc. Molina) -
Tel/fax 089.441.323

rest of Italy; carnival floats created by the locals in conjunction with the Council (for information, Town Council Tel. 089.763.811)

“Summer Concerts at Villa Guariglia”

(www.eventsandmusic.it) July-early August festival of classical music and jazz, with a programme of unforgettable evenings for a review that, since 1998, every year returns to the terrace of one of the most prestigious aristocratic palazzi of the Amalfi Coast (organisation: CTA, Tel. 089.211.285).

“International Piano Contest Vietri sul Mare-Amalfi Coast” (c/o Villa Guariglia: www.eventsandmusic.it)

October or December, open to all young Italian and international musicians. The competition highlights young people’s musical culture and encourages the contestants to improve their techniques, through exchanging experiences and comparing interpretations. It is a member of the Alink-Argerich Foundation of the Netherlands, which includes the most prestigious piano competitions in the world. The tests are divided into two sections:

piano soloist and piano duo, which in turn are split into categories according to age (organisation: CTA, Tel. 089.211.285).

“Poetry Prize” (Albori), August
(info tel. 089.763.811).

“Vietri Summer”, August: a series of performances – music, theatre and cabaret – held in characteristic ‘vicoli’ (alleyways) and piazzas of the town that are

Events

“Vietri Carnival”, Shrove Tuesday. At Carnival time, Vietri is to the Amalfi Coast what Viareggio is to the



most suitable to be used as small or large natural theatres. Some of music and theatre shows take place in nearby hamlets (for information, the Town Council: Tel. 089.763.811).

“Christmas in Vietri”, December: concerts and choruses of sacred music; performances by itinerant street entertainers, living cribs, and theatrical performances all animate the streets and the piazzas of the old town centre and of the outlying hamlets (for information, the Town Council: Tel. 089.763.811).

“International Pottery Prize” (for information, contact the President of the Manuel Cargaleiro Foundation : Ernesto Sabatella, Mob.: 339.770.77.32)

Museums

“Provincial Museum of Vietri Pottery”,
c/o Villa Guariglia, Via Nuova Raito (Raito) -
Tel. 089.211.835, Fax 210.946;
museiprovincialisalerno@virgilio.it,
museiprovs@tiscali.it -
www.museibiblioteche.provincia.salerno.it
Opening Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 9.00-20.00 (with lunch break). Mondays closed. Admission is free. Located in the Belvedere Turret of a splendid garden, it displays typical local production and other significant examples of ceramics from Campania, Apulia, Calabria and Liguria. The collection is divided into three sections: the first contains religious and devotional objects (votive plaques, stoups for the home... starting from the XVII c.); the second comprises practical objects for material

needs, such as crockery for everyday use (mainly from the XIX c.); the third section illustrates the so-called German Period, i.e. the period from the 1920s to the 1940s, with many pieces made in Vietri by artists from Northern Europe.

“Manuel Cargaleiro Museum”, Palazzo dei Duchi Carotino, Corso Umberto I, 5 - Tel/Fax 089.763.076; info@museocargaleiro.it - www.museocargaleiro.it
Opening Hours: 10.00-13.00; 16.00-20.00 Mondays closed. The Foundation looks for its inspiration to the great historical model of the first museums of art and industry. It aims to promote, develop, innovate the art of contemporary ceramics, with particular reference to the traditions of Vietri sul Mare, with the benefit of cultural and practical connections with the other Mediterranean countries. The main body of the Museum exhibits will consist of works donated by the Portuguese maestro Cargaleir; and the project's objective of modernising contemporary ceramics will be pursued through initiatives such as exhibitions, prizes, workshops, seminars and conventions, which will be implemented in conjunction with Italian and international institutions, companies, and public and private bodies. The Foundation also promotes relations between potters from Portugal, Italy and other European countries. From 2004, in conjunction with the Municipality of Vietri sul Mare and the Province of Salerno, the Foundation organises the Prize “Journey through Ceramics”.

Salerno Studies Centre “Raffaele Guariglia”,
at Villa Guariglia, Via Nuova Raito -



Tel. 089.211.835, fax 089.210.946; museiprovincialisalerno@virgilio.it, centroraffaeguargiglia@virgilio.it - www.museibiblioteche.provincia.salerno.it The Centre promotes conventions, scholarships, exhibitions and events to encourage the understanding, study and enhancement of ancient ceramicist traditions of Vietri sul Mare, the collections of the Museum and those of the splendid Villa Guariglia, collected with tasteful magnificence by the owner (Italian ambassador and Foreign Minister during the Badoglio Government): ceramic panels, wax images (nick-named "cere di Masaniello"), mother-of-pearl fans, arms, books (as well as early editions of Greek and Latin classics and magazines from the XIX and XX c., the library has over 4,000 volumes, manuscripts and documents of historical, diplomatic, economic and political nature), silverware, porcelain, old post cards, miniatures and paintings on brass, prints, over one hundred paintings and a large XVIII c. crib.

Hotels

"Hotel Raito" ★★★★★ (49 rooms), via Nuova Raito, 9 (loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.763.41.11, fax 763.48.01; main@hotelraito.it - www.hotelraito.it



"Lloyd's Baia" ★★★★★ (121 rooms), via De Marinis, 2 - Tel. 089.763.31.11, fax 763.36.33; info@lloydsbahahotel.it - www.sogliahotels.com



"Voce del Mare" ★★★★★ (21 rooms), via Costiera Amalfitana, 21 - Tel/fax 210.080; info@voceelmare.it - www.voceelmare.it



"Bristol" ★★★ (22 rooms), via C. Colombo, 2 - Tel. 089.210.800, fax 761.170; info@hotelbristolvietri.com - www.hotelbristolvietri.com



"La Lucertola" ★★★ (32 rooms), via C. Colombo, 29 - Tel. 089.210.255, fax 210.223; info@hotellalucertola.it - www.hotellalucertola.it



"Vietri" ★★★ (18 rooms), via O. Costabile, 31 - Tel/fax 089.210.400; info@hotelvietri.com - www.hotelvietri.com



Restaurants

"da Lucia", via Scialli, 48 - Tel. 348.000.449.6

"da Raffaele", via G. Mazzini, 131 - Tel. 089.210.305

"Fish", via Costiera Amalfitana, 58 - Tel. 347.945.247.8

"Il Golfo", via Nuova Raito, 9 (loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.763.411.1

"La Cartera", via Costiera Amalfitana (loc. Marina d'Albori) - Tel. 089.211.570

"La Locanda", c.so Umberto I, 52 - Tel. 089.761.070

"La Playa", via Costiera Amalfitana, 24 - Tel. 089.761.696

"La Sosta", via Costiera Amalfitana, 6 - Tel. 089.211.790

"La Vera Cucina", c.so Umberto I, 156 - Tel. 089.761.868

"Nelcontinentenero", via Costiera Amalfitana (loc. Ponte d'Albori) - Tel. 347.354.598.3

"New Cristal", via Costiera, 44 - Tel. 089.211.291

"Voce del Mare", via Costiera Amalfitana, 21 - Tel. 089.210.080

At Marina di Vietri

"Addo' Zio Carlo", via C. Colombo, 88 - Tel. 338.643.990.7

"Bristol", via C. Colombo, 2 - Tel. 089.210.800

"Cafè degli Artisti", via C. Colombo, 71 - Tel. 089.842.71.02, 339.776.666.4

"California Beach", via G. Pellegrino, 182 - Tel. 089.210.022

"dal Pescatore", via C. Colombo, 68 - Tel. 089.211.595

"Gerry 2", via G. Pellegrino, 38 - Tel. 089.210.605

"I Butteri" (pizza and tastes), via G. Pellegrino, 170 - Tel. 089.210.633

"La Ciumra", via C. Colombo - Tel. 089.761.194

"La Lucertola", via C. Colombo, 29 - Tel. 089.210.255

"Saporo di Mare", via G. Pellegrino, 104 - Tel. 089.210.041

"Sugò", via C. Colombo (at the bathing establishment "Rosa dei Venti") - Tel. 338.712.337.0

"Zia Teresa", via G. Pellegrino, 144 - Tel. 089.210.426
at Molina

"Antico Mulino", via E. De Marinis, 46 - Tel. 089.212.171

"da Zi Tonino", via Chellavanna, 17 - Tel. 089.211.804

"Il Principe e la Civetta", via E. De Marinis, 7 - Tel. 089.763.22.01

"Rossoinblù", via G. d'Amico, 11 - Tel. 089.210.155
at Benincasa

"Maison Felix", via Bottaio, 67 - Tel. 089.763.006

at Dragonea

“**Al Limoneto**” via Raccio, 3 - Tel. 089.210.358

“**Chalet Primavera**”, via Padovani -
Tel. 089.212.523

“**La Fattoria**”, via Iaconi, 2/a - Tel. 089.210.518

at Albori

“**Garden**”, via Comunale, 7 - Tel. 089.212.572

Agritourisms

“**Casa Fasano**” country house, via Iaconi, 2
(loc. Dragonea) - Tel. 089.212.557, 338.844.955.8

“**Colle Maiano**” (3 rooms), via Case Sparse, 14
(loc. Dragonea) - Tel. 089.211.659, fax 761.195

“**Villa Divina**” (5 villas), via Case Sparse, 18
(loc. Dragonea) - Tel. 089.761.717, fax 763.719;
info@villadivina.com - www.villadivina.com

Room rental

“**Dimora Carlo III**” (3 rooms), via E. Gianturco, 1
(loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.211.841, 338.875.866.7;
amalfiholiday@tiscali.it - www.amalfiholiday.com

B&B

“**Il Melograno**” (2 rooms), via Guariglia, 38
(loc. Raito) - Tel. 089.210.690, 338.110.649.6;
melograno3@alice.it

“**Il Piliero**” (1 room), via Scavata, 94 (loc. Raito) -
Tel. 089.211.642, 320.423.201.4

“**La Porta Azzurra**” (3 rooms),
via Madonna delle Grazie, 9/11 (loc. Raito) -
Tel. 089.210.837, 347.480.038.4;
info@laportaazzurra.it - www.laportaazzurra.it

“**La Terrazza**” (1 apartment), via Croce, 1 (loc. Albori) -
Tel. 089.211.840, 348.709.682.7; vforcel@tin.it

“**Il Rifugio del Cevere**”, via Positano 54 -
Tel. 081.802.4114, 3889470023 - fax 8014344;
info@ilrifugio.eu - www.ilrifugio.eu

Holiday apartments

“**Gli Archi**”, I trav.sa di via Madonna degli Angeli, 9 -
Tel. 338 771.47.66, 089.212.593, fax 763.677;
lелogjudice@tiscali.it - www.amalfitancoast.it

“**La Valle delle Najadi**”, via Costabile, 32 -
Tel. 089.210.095, fax 211.209; www.vallenajadi.com

Bathing establishments

“**Azzurro**”, via C. Colombo - Tel. 089.210.634

“**California Beach**”, via Marina - Tel. 089.210.022

“**Il Risorgimento Costa d'Amalfi**”, via G. Pellegrino -
Tel. 089.210.876

“**La Bagnara Beach 7**”, via G. Pellegrino -
Tel. 089.211.400

“**Letizia Lido**”, loc. Petrarco Marina - Tel. 089.210.432

“**Lido Aurora**”, via C. Colombo - Tel. 089.212.190

“**Lido delle Sirene**”, via G. Pellegrino -
Tel. 089.761.423

“**Lido Marcina**”, via C. Colombo - Tel. 089.211.480

“**Lido Mistral**”, via Marina - Tel. 089.210.991

“**Lido La Lucertola**”, via C. Colombo -
Tel. 089.210.837

“**Lido Santa Lucia**”, via G. Pellegrino -
Tel. 089.210.997

“**Lido Smeraldo**”, via C. Colombo - Tel. 089.212.158

“**Lido Tonino**”, via G. Pellegrino - Tel. 089.210.791

“**Lido Toscano**”, via Marina d'Albori (loc. Raito) -
Tel. 089.210.145

“**Lido Tritone**”, via G. Pellegrino - Tel. 089.761.575

“**Lloyd's Baia**”, via E. De Marinis - Tel. 089.763.31.11

“**Nuovo Risorgimento**”, via G. Pellegrino -
Tel. 089.210.359

“**Rosa dei Venti**”, via C. Colombo, 7 -
Tel. 089.210.432







TOURING ITINERARIES





Nature Trails

Route 1

THE OLD MULE TRACKS

Rediscovering nature and the environment

Sun, sea, breathtaking scenery, international tourism, jet set... Renowned and appreciated worldwide, the coastline south of Naples that stretches from Sorrento to Amalfi entices visitors with its scenic beauty and fashionable cultural events. And yet, running through this symphony of riches, there is one aspect of the Coast that few people have heard of: a simple and haunting - though largely unrecognized - melody. For it is only the most discerning, those who are not deafened by the brazen beauty of the Coast, who will tune into this simple delight that will be missed by the masses. Mountain tracks, remote, alternative itineraries crossing totally unspoilt nature in the heart of the Mediterranean scrub. Here the traveller

wanders through wildernesses where mysterious caves alternate with deep limestone inlets and belvederes overlooking breathtaking views. Today, as they did in the past, the highlanders of this coastline still use these ancient connection routes as bridle paths (hence the name *mulattiera*, or mule track). A name that is praise and metaphor of patience and of time, which here passes at a gentle relaxed pace that has nothing in common with the frenzy of the present.

The inland countryside of this coastline offers a series of easy walks for anyone seeking unspoilt countryside. Such an experience cannot fail to impress, as mother nature here shows herself at her magnificent best. Here the captivating scenery presents a rare encounter of the elements, an almost mystical fusion of sea, sky and mountain.

These inland paths are lined with the typical flora of the Mediterranean scrub: ilex trees, arbutus, heather, rosemary... But gardeners and experts will be excited to see a plant that is all but extinct: the fern, which here grows wild among the rocks of the steps and terraces and along the sides of the pathways.

Walking along these paths hanging between heaven and earth is like walking on clouds, as the gods did. And they say that the gods of Ancient Greece favoured this enchanted land for their trysts and their jaunts, beguiled by its numerous waterfalls, torrents and small ponds embellished with solemn, multi-coloured water-lilies.

But there's more: moving on from mythology to industry, it is not difficult to find and visit abandoned but still imposing old paper mills, with their fascinating structural features. From the mills that exploited the rapidly flowing waters to their drying rooms and terraces where the sheets of paper made on the premises were spread out to dry. And discarded machinery and presses, marvellous remains of industrial archaeology, the sign of a time that is both close and long gone.

It seems incredible, but to this day there are still tiny villages, like Nocelle, that still cannot be reached by motorcar (as if resisting the most pernicious form of progress), connected to the rest of the world by mule and donkey.

Not such a bad thing. On the Sorrento Peninsula, once we've given up our comforts and gained freedom from machines, the best way to discover the more remote and spectacular corners of this natural balcony overlooking the Bays of Naples and of Salerno is to walk the nature trails.

The Monti Lattari mountain range guards this sea, where, since the beginning of time, vessels of Mediterranean peoples have sailed. The range stretches along the Sorrento and Amalfi Coasts. Its highest peaks are Sant'Angelo a Tre Pizzi and Monte Faito. The latter is a veritable earthly paradise, mantled in beech and ilex trees, as well as chestnut woods. And chestnuts, their delicious, prized fruits, are the protagonists of the popular chestnut fair, which is held in the area in November.

At the point of the peninsula flung out into the enchanted waters of the Tyrrhenian sea, lies a real natural jewel, which is rightly protected. It is the enchanting Bay of Ieranto, which belongs to the FAI (Italian Wildlife Fund) and was declared a Nature Park in 1982. The protected area, which stretches from Punta Campanella to the Marina del Cantone, is one of the most stunning areas of the Mediterranean, for the quality of its scenery and of its fauna, from the sea life to the birds that nest here (such as the gorgeous peregrine falcon) or stop here to rest during their migrations.

The Pathway of the Gods, from Agerola to Positano

The trail begins at Boomerano, in Agerola. In places where silence is still precious, this trail is enveloped in an enviable atmosphere of tranquillity. The guides suggest walking it from east to west, so that, from the splendid natural terraces along the way, walkers can admire the views of seductive Capri, immediately opposite, and of the mysterious islets of "Li Galli" on the left. The path leads to the "Grotta del Biscotto" (cave of the biscuit) and then crosses the pass of Monte Serra. Then, from the suburb of Nocelle you can either walk to Positano, or follow the path that leads to atmospheric Montepertuso.

Valle delle Ferriere - Amalfi

You set off from San Lazzaro and head for the Valle delle Ferriere. This is an exciting walk through an area of great natural charm, mainly covered in moss and ferns. The spectacular waterfalls you meet on the way used to power the many paper mills and ironworks that thrived in this region. The light that filters through the rocks creates unforgettable magical effects, accompanying you as you climb the mountainside. First you reach Pogerola, then carry on

to the elegant and amiable town of Amalfi, full of charm and history.

Amalfi deserves an unhurried visit, exploring its streets and monuments, from the ancient Arsenale to the Duomo. At the end of the town, take the long flights of steps that thread through the Valle dei Mulini (valley of the mills). The torrents Chiarito, Canneto and Ceraso run through the area, creating cascades and waterfalls. As the name suggests, there were numerous watermills in the area. The precious element of water powered a whole range of activities, among which the main one was the craft of paper-making, which is still famous worldwide (a visit to the local museum will tell you more than reams of words...). About half an hour into your walk you will come across the first ruins of the old paper mills.

After the flights of steps the road becomes stony and climbs up towards the sky. Follow it into the part of the valley called "delle Ferriere" because of the presence of ruins of ironworks built in the XIV century, which were active until the beginning of the nineteenth century. Continue your climb and you will at last reach the waterfalls. This is the beginning of the enclosed area of the Nature Reserve that protects a considerable number of animals and plants, in particular the thermophile "Woodwardia radicans", a typical example of pre-glacial type flora.

On the way back you will need little more than two hours to complete the walk, which is now made easier by a pleasant descent.

S. Maria del Castello - Positano

The route begins at Santa Maria del Castello, a small town half-way between the Bays of Naples and of Salerno. Walking along this path of great interest for its scenery and nature, it will take you just over two

hours to reach Montepertuso, where legend has it that the ancient inhabitants of Positano were plagued by the devil. Then one day divine intervention by the Virgin Mary, who personally challenged Lucifer, miraculously defeated the demon and freed the unfortunate natives from their terrible bondage.

Ascent to Amalfi cemetery

A charming series of wide easy stairways and slightly sloping paths leads gently up to the ancient and historic portico of a protected monastery that now houses the Amalfi cemetery. Connected with the imposing Basilica dell'Assunta, its cloister, called Chiostro Paradiso, dates back to 1266. It was commissioned by archbishop Augustarico as a cemetery for illustrious citizens of the town of Amalfi. Six of the original frescoed chapels are preserved. You will see a well-tended flower garden surrounded by a quadrilateral portico with Arabic-style columns supporting sharply pointed arches. There are only five remaining sarcophagi, which originally contained the remains of local dignitaries.

At the end of the ascent, if you wander through the alleyways admiring the typical natural architecture and spontaneous beauty of these villages, from this vantage point you will be able to hold the gulf of Amalfi in your gaze.

Monte Faito

The route starts at Moiano and includes: S. Maria del Castello, Forestale, the steep climb to Conocchia; then, after the Molare, the descent to the cablecar station via Porta di Faito. Return to Moiano, or Vico by Circumvesuviana bus, or to Castellammare by cablecar (only from April to October). The main ascent from the Forestale (763 m) to Conocchia (1377 m) is all south-facing, and even in early spring it can be baking hot. On the other hand,

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some of the higher stretches of the walk are never warmed by the sun, so you can often find ice on the ground.

Leave the road for S. Maria del Castello at the end of the climb (659 m) and take the narrow road (via Conocchia) that slopes a short distance down to the houses. After the village it turns into a scenic mule track that climbs to the Forestale (763 m) in about half an hour. Just above the building stands a crossroads. The trail to the left climbs steeply (the one to the right passes by the Forestale and descends to Montepertuso, while the central one leads to Capo Muro).

The trail zigzags up hairpin bends to around 925 m. From here you can reach the ridge and if you have a head for heights you can enjoy an unforgettable pause admiring the dazzling views below its limestone platform.

From here you reach a pathway that runs along the mountainside (1075 m); go left along the level path for about 300 m and you will reach the base of a narrow crest. Here you can see two signed paths leading to Conocchia: one along the ridge (steeper and tougher, but also more panoramic and spectacular) and the other through the valley.

Just before you reach the top, turn left passing north of Croce della Conocchia along an easy path that leads up and down between 1360 and 1390 m taking you to the foot of the Molare. Before passing south of this little valley, you come across a fork. The left-hand path descends to Agerola, skirting the Church of San Michele by a few hundred metres. After you

have been up to the Molare (1443.6 m – the highest peak of the Monti Lattari) return to this fork to begin your descent. Leaving behind you the cave and spring of Acqua Santa, pathway CAI 00 bends to the right; keep going straight for a few metres, until you reach the road leading from Faito to San Michele.

Services and Accommodation

Along the way you will find a wide range of establishments offering refreshments: snack bars, pizzerias, pizzerterias, pubs and restaurants... different solutions catering for all tastes and requirements. A wide choice of accommodation is also available in the region, which offers a large number of comfortable hotels, B&Bs, guesthouses and residential hotels.

Nature Trails Route 2

THE SEA TRAIL

Tacitus records the Ancient Romans' slogan claiming they could do anything,

and they could do it better than anyone else. Including relax. Enticed by this enchanting region, emperors, poets, and wealthy citizens of Ancient Rome chose the Bay of Naples as a place to stay and seek inspiration, and here they built their sumptuous villas.

The mild climate, unique landscape, fertile earth and bountiful sea (the latter also an extraordinarily useful connection route) encouraged developments along the Coast, especially during the Empire. Also along the Sorrento Peninsula, from Vico Equense to Punta della Campanella and Crapolla, the many ruins visible along the rocky ridge and on the beach testify to the presence of prestigious buildings and the preference shown to this coastline by those who wielded power among the rulers of the world.

The most famous seaside villas of the Capitoline aristocracy, like the one of Agrippa Postumo in Sorrento, as well as the proper domus, had magnificent nymphaeums on the beach. Their walls were decorated with vitreous lava and they were built around complicated water features offering delightful sights, sounds and sensations. The enchanting sight of that Roman architecture, those noble ruins overlooking the bay, still haunts and delights us to this day.

But above all, since ancient times the sea has always been an essential connection route allowing exchanges between people, as well as an important factor in terms of economy and development. In the nautical tradition of this region, typical vessels are fishing boats, "gozzo" (Gozo) boats, 'o vuozzo, small rowing boats which sometimes have sails, used mainly for dinghy fishing since the mid XVII century. The sea of these two coastlines alternates fjords (the one of Furoro is famous) with small beaches and gulfs, coves and natural arches, iconic rocks with descriptive names (the old woman,

the little Madonna, the two brothers...), mysterious multi-hued caves where the undertow howls (the fairies' cave, the witches' cave, the emerald cave...). It is exciting and fascinating to see this land from the sea, from one of the myriad boats sailing these crystal-clear waters, especially at night, when lights and sounds turn the Coast into a magical wonderland beneath a starry sky inviting love and tenderness.

Less than a kilometre away from the little port of Marina della Lobra, a rock where divers meet regularly emerges from the sea. Its name is Vervece (from the Latin *vervex*, or he-goat) a typical Massa rock, locally called 'o Revece. Its vertical sides drop well below 50 metres and present an extraordinary spectacle: the marine flora and fauna, in a riot of vitality as they are caught up in the play of the currents and the light that filters magically into the depths, surround it in the thrilling embrace of mother nature.

Also below the surface (at a depth of just over 12 m), on a rock ledge facing east, stands the *Madonnina del Verace*, a lovely bronze statue that was placed here with devotion a few years ago. Every year in September, a moving underwater pilgrimage takes place to the sacred statue, a feast celebrated by all those who are connected to the sea, to remember the seafarers who lost their lives at sea. This moving and popular event, which draws a large number of divers (among whom the unforgettable Enzo Majorca, who in 1974 broke the world free-diving record in these very waters).

Sailing southwards, just before reaching Punta della Campanella, you will see a splendid bay with green waters (which motor boats are also allowed to access). On the left-hand side lies the cave called "Grotta della Corvina" (because of the fish that live here); the Grotta di Mitigliano is a dive requiring caution but offering more experienced divers unforgettable thrills.

You then reach the point that closes the

southern side of the Bay of Naples and opens the Bay of Salerno: the Promontorium *Minervae* of old, now our Punta della Campanella.

This is where the ancient Greek and Roman fleets would cast anchor and wait for weather conditions to improve. While they were waiting, the ships' crews would take propitiatory gifts for their voyage to *Minerva*, the most loved and venerated goddess of the whole of *Magna Graecia*, at the temple that the locals had built for her on the tip of the coast. The present day Torre Mozza, near the lighthouse, was built on the ruins of that temple.

What would Capri be without its famous Faraglioni, those silent sea giants, staring out to the deep? They are three peaks that escaped the coastal landslide and the erosion caused by the sea and the weather. They each have a their own name: the first one, connected to the mainland, is called *Stella*; the second, separated from the first by a narrow stretch of water, is called *Faraglione di Mezzo* (middle one); and the third, *Faraglione di Fuori* (outer one) or *Scopolo*, which means headland or promontory on the sea.

On the latter, the furthest from the coast, lives the famous Blue Lizard of the Faraglioni, the *podarcis sicula coerulea*, which is only found here. The experts believe that, after its habitat was separated from the coast, a type of protective mimicry turned its scales the blue shades of sea and sky.

On average the Faraglioni are 100 metres high. The middle one has a hollow at its centre forming an iconic arch recognised throughout the world by the island's aficionados, who have always been many, including the Ancient Romans. The emperors dotted Capri with splendid villas and shady nymphaeums; in the last century it became a sophisticated refuge for artists and intellectuals, now its villas and exclusive hotels are the almost mythical pinnacle of international tourist destinations.

Returning to the opposite side of Punta Campanella, the Bay of Ieranto is closed by the rock called *Scoglio Penna* - because of its shape like a pointed quill. Here you are in one of the most enchanting areas of our coast, famous among other things for the abundance of migratory fish (little tunny, common bonito, great yellowtail...) attracted by the nutrient-rich currents from the neighbouring Bay of Salerno. The side of the islet facing the mainland slopes gently down to a depth of around 40 metres, where you could still find fragments of pottery belonging to some ancient Roman wreck.

But the most exciting side is the one that faces Capri. It follows the stretch of seabed known as the "*Scarpa di Vetara*", which ends with a small sandbank at a depth of only six metres, but which can be seen from above the surface because the water is so clear.

By some strange coincidence, two of the five Siren rocks bear the names of *Isca* and *Vetara*: the first is also the ancient name of *Ischia*, and the other of *Vivara*, a small island on the opposite side of the Bay of Naples. The origin of the name *Isca* is not clear, but the name *Vivara* means 'breeding ground' (of rabbits); however, although that is the islet's official name, everyone calls it *Vetara*.

Vetara is the home of quails and pastures. Its few structures, which include a split cistern, are made of ancient bricks, probably imported in post-Roman times. Its undisputed ruler is a type of lizard, darker than those that live on the other islets, and whose colour is similar to its above-mentioned relative living on Capri's Faraglioni.

You can recognise *Isca* for its rounded profile, less than a hundred metres from the coast, between *Crapolla* and *Recomone*. This islet is of considerable interest because at its two ends you can see remains of Roman buildings and ancient steps cut into the rocks and climbing up from the sea.

The western stairs pass behind a roofless Roman room clinging to the cliff



face. Fishermen, inspired by their imagination and devotion, call it "Cappella di Sant'Antonio", although it is plain that it was never a place of worship.

The islets of Gallo Lungo, Castelluccio and La Rotonda are still called collectively "Li Galli" (the cocks"). This a clear reference to Sirens as they were imagined in Greek art. For, although we are familiar with the late medieval images of sirens as seductive creatures, part-woman and part-fish, Greek painters, sculptors and authors portrayed them as malicious feathered beings with the face of a woman.

Three of the five Siren rocks are close together and form the group called "Li Galli". Their ancient name of Sirensae fell into disuse and by 1131 they were called "Guallo".

To approach the Amalfi Coast near Praiano is a breathtaking experience. Here the moody power of a wild and powerful nature created a fearsome gorge whose awe-inspiring features earned it the name of Furor (fury). Devoured by the waters of the torrent Schiato, which hurtles down from the upland with the town of Agerola, this limestone rock measures about 300 metres at its highest point. Its splendid waters are cold because of the bizarre circulation of the currents and offer an

exceptionally invigorating dip.

The Monti Lattari are the backbone of this coast, along which the slow but inexorable erosion by the waters has created a series of caves. Among these, the Grotta dello Smeraldo (emerald), at Conca dei Marini, is an interesting combination of typical marine and Karstification elements. Originally the cave was above sea-level and you can still see its different-sized stalactites and stalagmites. Then rising sea levels and phenomena of bradyseism caused the Tyrrhenian to partially invade the cave, giving it its present features, the most notable being the luminescence of its emerald-coloured waters. This is due to the opening below the present sea-level, which is connected via a 12 m channel to the open sea.

Nature Trails

Route 3

THE TOWER TRAIL

The wind, the sky, the sea...

Sea trails: discovering the towers concealed behind the ridges and bushes on wonderful trips in a typical Sorrento

"gozzo" boat.

You leave from the port of Sorrento, and once rounded the promontory of Capo Sorrento, a stone's throw away from the "Masseria della Villanella" you will see a prominent watchtower dating back to the XV century Viceroy period.

A few miles away, on the promontory of Punta della Campanella, you will see the Torre di Minerva, which was built on the orders of Robert of Anjou, King of Naples, in 1335 and rebuilt in 1556. The building, like many others along the Sorrento Peninsula, was used as a lookout post against pirate attacks. Here a bell rang out a warning, hence its name Punta Campanella. Seen from here, with its naked rock on the southern side, where the vegetation ends abruptly, it looks like a large rhinoceros semi-submerged in the water.

Once you've rounded the Point, you come across an incredible bay, a natural paradise, rich in Mediterranean vegetation and rare species of birds: the Bay of Ieranto. In the distance Capri's Faraglioni stand out against the sky. You are surrounded by vegetable gardens, olive groves and Mediterranean scrub.

A programme of excavations brought to light two circular kilns for the production of lime; the remains of a building (perhaps a 11 century villa) and ceramic fragments; over 2 km of low dry stone walls rebuilt stone by stone; rebuilt terraces for olive groves; the XVI century Torre di Montalto, which had been reinforced.

After the stretch of green waters of Le Mortelle, in the Bay of Nerano, the coast folds slightly inwards, creating a marvellous fjord that was once a fishing village: Crapolla.

History books say the Crapolla was abandoned by the Romans in the early Christian times. However, an imposing abbey, described as "a temple with marble columns and a mosaic floor" restored the importance of its role. All that remains of St Peter's Abbey is a

votive chapel dedicated to the same Saint, built with the stones from the original building.

On the opposite side, you can see the ancient defensive tower of Crapolla, built during the Viceroy period to resist Saracen assaults.

Land trails: discovering and visiting mountaintop towers

If you are not too keen on exploring by boat, you can find as much peace and silence as you wish on land. You could go on a salutary walk among the many looming Aragonese and Angevin towers guarding these lands that slope gently down to the sea.

You can leave from Massa Lubrense, where from the Torre della Rocca, built by the Durazzeschis at the end of the XIV century, you see a wide panorama of land and sea. Destroyed by Ferrante I of Aragon, it was later partly rebuilt. From here Joachim Murat directed a furious sea battle against the English, who were attacking from the water, attempting to capture Capri and the surrounding areas.

Medieval remains

A typical hillside town, perched at an altitude of 380 m, Lettere was founded in the late middle ages, developing around a castle whose fascinating ruins you can still see. This IX century castle, built by the citizens of Amalfi for a strategic purpose, was completely rebuilt by the Angevins.

This small centre was used as a stronghold during many battles, including one against the Goths, which was held in a place now called "Goths' well" (the bodies of the invaders were flung here). In 984 A.D. Lettere became a see (and its castle became the residence of the first bishop); later Queen Joan gave it

to a Neapolitan nobleman and it became an exchange fief until Robert of Anjou presented it to Queen Sancha, together with the other five castles of Gragnano and Pimonte.

Carry on walking towards Ravello and you will come across the ruins of a building that once took in the sick, travellers and pilgrims (the first mention of this dates back to 1107). It was called Sant'Angelo dell'Ospedale.

Its name indicates that next to the church there was an infirmary for the ill and the poor. The church is still standing, and it is an outstanding architectural example. It is partly built and partly created from the cavities in the rock. Because of this spatial peculiarity it was one of the favourite subjects of the Dutch painter and engraver Escher, whose stay here was serene and inspirational.

Of inestimable artistic value are four wooden altars and the rounded gratings in iron and wood of the choir, by the sides of the main altar, in the Convent of S. Rosa at Conca dei Marini. It was donated to the town of Conca in 1539 by the archbishop of Amalfi. Then in 1679 it was handed over to sister Maria Pandolfi, who in 1681 founded a Dominican Convent in it.

Church of S. Giacomo

Because of its typical features, its cycle of frescos, and perhaps because it is the oldest, the Church of S. Giacomo at Furore is considered to be one of the most important churches in the area.

It still bears the ancient name of the place where it stands: "Sancti Jacobi de Casanova". It has three naves, which are separated by round arches supported by columns with simply made inverted cone capitals, with a flat roof over the central nave and cross vaults over the side ones.



Art Trails Route 1

THE CERAMICS TRAIL

Rediscovering an ancient and prestigious art...

Suspended between the sky and the sea, and dominating from on high the small Valle di Bonea, Vietri sul Mare is built on limestone rocks that slope down to the sea. It is the feather in the cap of the whole Amalfi Coast, as it is one of the most important Italian and international centres for ceramic art.

With their experience and culture, these world-renowned master ceramists have transformed the production of kitchen utensils, plates, majolicas, coffee-table tops, table centrepieces, floor tiles, wall tiles and decorative tiles to hang in the garden. These are real works of art, famous for their colours and patterns of Eastern inspiration. The ancient, prestigious designs are similar to the ones you can see on all the majolica bell towers of the numerous churches dotted amongst the rocky ridges. Patterns and allegories evoke ancient splendours and trading exchanges with Eastern routes. It is a delight to enter the artisans' workshops and be carried away by the vivacious patterns of the ceramic decorations. Blue and yellow,



the colours of the sea, bunches of grapes, lemons and chicks – the town's symbol – reign supreme over the artistic creations of these skilled and passionate artisans.

Along the Amalfi and Sorrento Coasts don't miss browsing among the typical little shops that line the narrow village streets selling hand-made articles on which these beautiful surroundings are reproduced.

Imaginative, colourful, unique... Already extremely popular around the year 1000, Vietri ceramics is renowned worldwide. It has its own distinctive style and its colours are drawn from the splendid natural palette offered by the sea, the mountains and the flowers of these two coasts.

Also with a centuries-old tradition, Capodimonte porcelain is a unique type of porcelain obtained following an ancient tradition of shape, style and decoration by hand. In the wake of fine European ceramic production, this art was brought to Naples in the mid XVIII century by the ceramics enthusiast King Charles of Bourbon and his wife, Queen Maria Amalia of Saxony, who founded the Royal Factory in Capodimonte. The works created by the various artists over the centuries are conserved in the

famous Museum of Capodimonte.

Shops to visit

You will find them in the narrow town-centre streets of Vietri sul Mare, Via delle Cartiere in Amalfi, Piazza Duomo in Amalfi, Via San

Cesareo in Sorrento.

In the town-centre streets of Sorrento, Amalfi and Positano you will find artisans' workshops producing and selling Vietri and Capodimonte ceramics and porcelains.

Don't miss visiting the factories to learn about the production process.

Services and Accommodation

Along the way you will find a wide range of establishments offering refreshments: snack bars, pizzerias, pizzerias, pubs and restaurants offer a range of solutions catering to every



visitor's tastes and requirements.

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Art Trails Route 2

THE PAPER TRAIL

Hand-made paper-making, produced at the paper mills in the Valle dei Mulini and distributed to the other towns of the region of Campania, was one of the oldest and most thriving activities in Amalfi.

The first records of this important local product date back to the XIII century, although it is believed that the paper mills were built much earlier. And, as ever, it was the extremely sophisticated Arabs who imported and spread in the West the use and production of paper, which they had garnered in distant China. The citizens of Amalfi decided to produce it locally, exploiting the hydraulic energy of the river Canneto, which rises in the Monti Lattari. In 1220 Frederick II forbade legal notaries from using paper, at that time called "cotton wool", and imposed the use of parchment because it was longer-lasting. Then the new product, which was cheaper and easy to produce, replaced animal hides, and by the end of the XVIII century there were as many as 16 paper mills in the Valle dei Mulini, dotted amongst citrus groves and waterfalls.

The traditional production of hand-made paper in Amalfi comprised the following stages:

1. The raw materials were cotton, linen and hemp rags, collected into special stone tubs, minced and pulped by the powerful action of wooden hammers studded with iron nails. The shape and size of these nails determined the con-

sistency of the pulp and, hence, the weight and thickness of the sheets.

2. The motion of the hammers was generated by the force of the water, which, falling onto a counterweighted wheel (rotor), propelled a driving shaft. Once the pulp had been prepared, it was collected in a majolica-lined vat. The mould, which had a wooden frame and the watermark in the centre, and was made of a tight web of brass and bronze wires, was then lowered into the vat. The watermark contained the trademarks that identified the different producers. These marks, which could be seen against the light, depicted civic, heraldic and religious symbols. The older sheets, dating back to the XIII century, presented the coat of arms of the city or the eight-pointed cross and the emblems of ancient families.

3. Once the pulp had stuck to the mould and the water had drained off, it was transferred onto a special paper felt. Thus a pile was formed with very damp sheets of paper alternated with paper felts

4. The pile was then pressed down with a wooden press that squeezed out the water. Later the sheets, removed one by one from the paper felts, were taken into the "spandituro" for final drying in the fresh air. For this reason the paper-hangers were built at the top of the paper mill.

5. Lastly, the sheets of paper were ironed and collected into packs in a room called the "allisciatura".

Trails

- The Amatruda - Amalfi paper mill
- The Paper Museum with demonstrations and reproduction of the ancient process.
- Visits to old machinery used for different products.
- Paper shops and boutiques: Amatruda - Via delle Cartiere; Scuderia del Duca - Largo C. Console; L'Arco Antico - via P. Capuano - Amalfi.



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Art Trails

Route 3

THE ART TRAIL

Treasures of the Two Coasts

The towns along the Coast are exceptionally interesting for the vitality of their culture and monuments. The Coast is one of the most beautiful seaside places where art blends perfectly with nature.

For these small precious pearls, the rugged landscape is a perfect setting that is unique worldwide. Among these is picturesque Sorrento, reaching out towards Capri; Amalfi, rich in history because of its past as a great Sea Republic; Ravello, of incomparable beauty for its landscapes and villas clinging to the sheer cliffs above the

sea; Vietri sul Mare, famous for its ceramics, and Positano, an elite tourist destination. But also Cava dei Tirreni with its porticos, Massa Lubrense, Praiano and so many other picturesque towns deserve to be explored.

Cava dei Tirreni

Middleman between the countryside of the Nocera-Sarno geographical area and the Sorrento-Amalfi peninsula, and constituting the gateway to the Amalfi Coast, Cava dei Tirreni is an ancient town rich in history and monuments. It was a renowned destination of painters because of its pretty hills and its green panoramas set against the blue background of the sea. Urbanism and the town's constant growth have left marked traces in the structure of its porticos, which is extremely varied and diversified, each one with arches and ceilings in different styles, testifying the changes in artistic tendencies and tastes throughout the centuries.

Over time some of the buildings have been joined to the neighbouring ones in order to enlarge the interior, which has resulted in one continuous terrace of houses about 2 km long, running from Piazza S. Francesco to S. Vito.

The area of Cava dei Tirreni, founded fifteen centuries before Christ, was part of the ancient city of Marcina, presumably built by the Tyrrhenians, Etruscan navigators and the first inhabitants of the city. The Roman nobility favoured it for their holidays, and the remains of villas, probably belonging to the Gens Metellia have been found in the ancient villages of Vetranto and S. Cesareo.

The District Abbey of Santissima Trinità di Cava dei Tirreni (Territorialis Abbatia Ssmæ Trinitatis Cavensis) is an abbey of Benedictine monks, which is often simply called Badia di Cava (this name reflects its position beneath a cave). About three kilometres from the town bearing the same name, this sacred place was founded in the XI century and its status elevated to District Abbey

in 1394.

Every August, in the splendid Piazza del Duomo, a very important event is staged here. It is the international music and folklore Festival delle Torri, organised by the society of flag-wavers of Cava. The event, of great cultural and social significance, is now at its tenth edition and is also extremely important for tourism, as it involves the participation of Italian and international folk groups representing their own cultures and traditions.

Vietri sul Mare

The town has two different urban settlements: the first one, the original centre of Vietri, is built on terraces leading down to the sea, while the second is the beach, guarded by an imposing Saracen tower.

Church of S. Margherita di Antiochia, Albori

Founded between the end of the XV and the beginning of the XVI centuries, the little Church of Santa Margherita is the centre of religious cult in the town. The interior has three naves and a ceiling richly frescoed with sacred images representing the Holy Virgins, the Martyrs of Roman persecutions, the doctors of the Church, the Apostles, the Prophets and scenes from the Gospels. There are three large frescoes of great interest representing the Immaculate Conception, the assumption into heaven of the Madonna, and the coronation of the Queen of heaven and earth (it seems that the frescoes can be attributed to the School of Belisario Corinzio). Also noteworthy are the frescoed stucco panels representing the 15 mysteries of the Rosary and the panels of S. Francesco di Paola, representing several episodes of the life of the Saint,

as well as the majolica covering of the confraternity room.

Church of S. Maria delle Grazie, Raito

Set in a panoramic position, it was built in 1540. The interior is shaped like a Latin cross with three naves and cupolas. The main altar is adorned with a valuable marble frontal with the dead Christ adored by angels, and with a beautiful XVI century painting of the Vergine delle Grazie. In a side chapel called "Monte dei Marinai", dating back to 1727, there are some gorgeous frescoes by Luca Giordano. The name of the church derives from the statue of the Madonna delle Grazie, masterpiece of XIX century Neapolitan art, which is borne in procession on her feast day..

Church of S. Antonio, Marina

The church and annexed monastery were built in 1607, on the ruins of a pre-existing pagan temple (dedicated to the fecund Hera Argiva). In fact excavations found a brawny statue of Priapus and a small idol of excellent workmanship. When the monastery, which was looked after by the conventual Fathers, was dissolved in 1860, the structure was used as a provincial orphanage. The interior has a nave with six side chapels. The marble altar, from 1720, is embellished by a beautiful canvas by an unknown artist.

Maiori

After Capo d'Orso, heading north-east, the road turns sharply up towards the beautiful X century Benedictine Abbey of S. Maria de Olearia, built up against the rock. Its name reflects its position

close to an oil mill. Beneath the present coastal road, you can still see the remains of a building with a series of interconnecting rooms, with a few remaining fragments of handmade articles. Instead nothing remains of the two neighbouring abbeys (S. Maria de Stellis and S. Nicolò de Carbonaria), which occupied the whole southern and eastern sides of the now deserted mountain.

The abbey was founded by Pietro the hermit, who lived here in a cave that had once housed an olive mill. Other monks followed the mystical experience of the holy man and gradually a small group of monks was formed, which required the construction of the monastery. The first abbot was the pious Taura, whose remains repose beneath the tombstone laid past the quadrilateral atrium, which is bounded by a small portico held up by two slim columns. Today part of the abbey has been turned into a farmhouse, but it still retains its charm. A small hall with an apse, covered by a barrel vault, still has XI century frescoes, while the vault portrays a happy Redeemer surrounded by hosts of hosannaing angels and saints.

Minori

On the seafront you will see the Basilica of S. Trofimenia, which is about 1000 years old. It was rebuilt in the XIX century, and the crypt restored in the XVIII century. It houses an ancient funerary urn containing the remains of the Patron Saint. The town also has a Roman villa from the I century A.D., which belonged to an important member of the imperial court. The three most important ruins of the Coast are: *viridorum*, *triclino*, *antiquarium*. The first has a piscina at its centre and is surrounded on three sides by a portico;



the second separates the two sections of the house, one of which contains a thermal system; and the third is where the scuba divers lay their finds and any materials brought from other villas.

Ravello

From its terraces you can admire a breathtaking view that enchanted, among others, the composer Wagner. And it was here, on May 26th, 1880 that the musician found inspiration for Klingsor's magic garden in his opera "Parsifal".

A thriving commercial town, between the XI and XII century it was a colony of Amalfi, and later became independent. For forty years Ravello has organised the International Music Festival, which attracts thousands of tourists from all over the world.

The gorgeous Duomo dates back to 1086. Its imposing bronze door, executed in 1179 in Constantinople and brought to its destination via sea, is divided into 54 squares depicting saints, Passion stories, lions and griffins. The pulpit is by Bartolomeo da Foggia (1272). The temple is dedicated to San Pantaleone and his miraculous blood is kept in it.

Don't miss the Museum of the Duomo, housed in the crypt. Here you can see Roman cinerary urns and sarcophagi, but also particularly interesting sculp-

tures (the bust of Sichelgaita Rufolo, one of the most beautiful sculptures of XII century Western art in the South of Italy), silverware belonging to the Treasury, a silver crosier and a reliquary of Saints Barbara, Lorenzo and Tommaso.

The Church of San Giovanni del Toro (975) contains a precious XII century ambo with notable frescos. It rests on two round arches richly decorated with mosaics and supported by four columns. The capital of each column is decorated slightly differently. The crypt is also decorated.

Villa Rufolo, with two towers in Arabic-Sicilian-Norman style, was built in the second half of the XIII century. The vestibule of the entrance tower is decorated with small interlinked arches on the walls and in the vaults, and with four austere statues in the corners representing Charity and the Hospitality of the Rufolos. A tree-lined avenue leads to the three-story house. To the left stands the main Tower, which is about thirty metres tall; to the right there is a delightful square courtyard, like a little cloister. Along the avenue you reach "Richard Wagner's terrace", named after the German composer because it was here that, in 1880, he was inspired to write the scene of Klingsor's garden, in the second act of his opera "Parsifal". Now, every summer, the giddy views enjoyed from here are the backdrop to

the Wagnerian festival, a traditional appointment for music lovers.

In the garden, luxuriant with splendid flowers and flourishing plants, including exotic ones, there is a Moorish cloister. The Antiquarium, set up in the old chapel of the complex, collects the antiques and the fragments recovered during the second half of the XIX century.

When you go into Villa Cimbrone, on the left hand side you see a courtyard reminiscent of the Cloister of San Francesco, embellished with double lancet windows and arches above columns. From a door on the left you enter the "crypt", which is actually a terrace open onto the sea. On the right there is a four storey high, square battlemented defensive tower joined to the castle.

At the end of the avenue, surrounded by ornamental temples and statues, lies the Belvedere di Mercurio, jutting out on the most protruding point of the rock spur on which Ravello is built. The unforgettable view will etch itself into your sight and soul for ever!

Also not to be missed is the Gothic Church of San Francesco, with an annexed monastery and cloister, founded by the Saint when he returned from the East.

Atrani

The town is a little jewel for its architectural, artistic and historic heritage. Its many attractions include the Collegiata di Santa Maria Maddalena (1274), with a Baroque façade and square bell tower that soars above the town. The interior houses a wooden panel by a local artist depicting "L'incredulità di S. Tommaso" (St Thomas' Disbelief).

Another important temple is S. Salvatore de' Bireto: of ancient origin, its structure was rearranged at the height of the XVIII century. Don't miss the "Grotta dei Santi", which owes its name to the frescos of the four evan-

gelsists that grace its walls.

Amalfi

Seen from above, the pearl of the Coast appears to be languidly floating on the sea, surrounded by green hills and scented citrus groves. It is the noble town of Amalfi, home of two important historical figures: Flavio Gioia, legendary inventor of the compass, and Tommaso d'Amalfi, known as "Masaniello", Neapolitan revolutionary and rabble rouser.

A powerful Sea Republic from 839 to 1137, it contested with Genoa supremacy and maritime traffic on the Tyrrhenian. The town played a fundamental role in the production of paper, a skill it had imported from the Far East, and in introducing this product to the rest of Europe. To this day, precious and sought-after "hand-made paper" is still produced here by artisans still using ancient techniques. If you are more interested in cuisine than in technology, albeit ancient, you should not miss trying the many different specialities of the town, all of which are based on lemons: from spaghetti to desserts, to the ubiquitous liqueur limoncello. Unmissable events are the historic Regatta of the Four Sea Republics (organised every four years, according to a calendar involving the other three competitors), the procession in honour of the illustrious Patron Saint, the apostle Andrew, New Year's Eve, when the New Year is celebrated on the beach.

The Duomo is the pinnacle among the monuments, attracting both the faithful and visitors. Built in the IX century, modifications over the succeeding centuries have changed its original Arabic motif. The interior, with its three naves, abounds in columns, marbles, frescos and precious statues in marble and bronze, the façade is richly decorated

with multicoloured mosaics. The tympanum, in particular, has some splendid mosaics depicting the Christ on his throne and the earthly Podestàs. The bronze door, donated by the Pantaleone family to the city in 1066 is of obvious importance. Cast in Constantinople by the artist Simeone of Syria, it is decorated with beautiful bas-reliefs. The majolica bell tower, built between 1180 and 1276, seems to be the only remnant of the ancient building.

Conca dei Marini

Conca dei Marini is a small urban area whose centre huddles on a rocky ridge beside a marvellous natural inlet, once the docks for the nearby Sea Republic of Amalfi.

From 481 A.D. it was a loyal Roman colony, making an important contribution to the Capitoline troops during the Second Punic War. Its citizens' sea-faring skills were rooted way back in time, so they were arguably passed down from generation to generation.

There is a trace of the past in the imposing Saracen tower that watches over the town. It was built in the XVI century on the small promontory separating the narrow beach from the cove with the amazing Grotta dello Smeraldo. On the bottom of the cave, at about 4 m below the surface, you can admire a ceramic underwater Nativity scene.

The exteriors of the Church and the Convent of Santa Rosa show a serene and rigorous monastic restraint, while the interior is a riot of rich Baroque beauty, with its four wooden altars, rounded gratings in wrought iron and wood of the choir by the sides of the main altar.

It is in this historic convent that centuries ago the skilled hands of the nuns produced the delicious pastry, "Sfogliatella Santa Rosa", in honour of the Saint who founded their order. And since the

beginning of the XVIII century on 30th August, the feast of the Saint, the nuns organise a fair for everyone to taste this delicious confection.

Furore

A slice of Norway cut out of the Mediterranean rock: a fjord, which is placid in the summer but that roars and rages in the winter, and a torrent that hurls itself down from the mountain behind. Surrounding it, clinging to the sheer faces of the fjord, the houses and the small, neat terraces of vegetable gardens that comprise the tiny village. Down below, where the fjord meets the sea, a tiny sandy beach, framed by the steep faces of the gorge. High up above, a bridge carries the state road across the narrow gorge.

Its very name (fury) tells of the rage of the elements, of the deafening noise of the wind and the waters, of the waves dashing themselves against the high walls of the canyon...

With a poet's graphic imagery, Alfonso Gatto called it "the village that isn't there", visible only to the eyes of the heart. A cluster of houses dotted among the slopes of the Monti Lattari, their roofs ruddy as the "piennoli di pomodorini", or hanging clusters of vine cherry tomatoes that colour and adorn their windows and balconies, myriad terraces where vines and olive trees are cultivated, steep cliff faces sensually caressed by fleshy prickly pears, their feet dug into the sea, split at the fjord that has given its name to the tiny village on the Amalfi Coast. There are as many as three thousand steps leading down to the fjord with its picturesque fishing village, where the passionate Rossellini-Magnani couple lived their passionate and magical love story. Today the restored houses, the mill, the spandituro and the calcarà accommo-

date a delightful inn, the Museo del Cinema and the Ecomuseo, that collects and catalogues the most interesting botanical species of the area (among which the very rare prehistoric *Woodwardia radicans*).

Praiano

For centuries the summer residence of the Amalfi doges, Praiano is one of the most beautiful and haunting places on the Amalfi Coast. Known in the past for its silk and thread industries, today it is a sought-after destination for tourists and whoever wants to flee urban chaos and recharge their batteries in these peaceful surroundings.

The parish Church of San Luca Evangelista, which houses the relics of the Saint and some canvases by Giovanni Bernardo Lama, a famous XVI century local painter.

Positano

If you choose to visit this wonderful pearl of the Mediterranean, don't miss the Church of Santa Maria Assunta, with its large mosaic majolicated cupola, and in the interior a splendid Byzantine panel depicting the Black Madonna and Child (legend has it that it arrived by sea) of the XII century.

Also worthy of special mention are the prehistoric caves (Grotta la Porta, del Mezzogiorno, delle Sopprssate, Erica, Vigna Pendente, and Mirabella or Monaco-Spera) and the Roman villas of the Bay of Positano with its "Galli" rocks, which testify that the town was the summer resort of rich and patrician Romans, even though the villas are no longer accessible.

Massalubrense

The main piazza is Piazza del Vescovado, with the Cathedral of Santa Maria delle Grazie, built in the XVI century and restored two centuries later. In the apse you can see a Madonna delle

Grazie by Marco Cordisco and in the sacristy XVIII wardrobes and stuccos.

Sorrento

For an interesting walk through Sorrento start at Corso Italia, where Roman remains have been found. Continue towards Piazza Tasso, the hub of social life, named after the illustrious poet who was born here. Originally called Largo del Castello, the piazza houses the statue of the town's patron saint, S. Antonio, the monument to Torquato Tasso and the XIV century Church of S. Maria del Carmine. In Via Pietà it is worth visiting the sumptuous Villa Fiorentino, built at the beginning of the past century, but among the historic palazzi it is worth singling out the Palazzo Verniero (with Arabic-Byzantine decorations) and the former Palazzo Correale, which has a little Baroque church attached to it.

Walk along Via Correale and you will come to the Museo Correale di Terranova, housed in a palazzo donated in 1428 by Joan of Anjou to the family whose name it bears. Over the two floors of the museum you will find Greek, Roman and Medieval exhibits, paintings dating from the XVI to the XIX century and a remarkable collection of Italian and foreign porcelains from all over Europe.

The Duomo is of ancient origin, but has been modified in different ways since the XV century. The Palazzo Arcivescovile is of architectural interest, while in Via Sersale you can see the town wall built in the XV century by the citizens to keep the pirates out. The sacred buildings of Sorrento are the Church of the Annunziata, the Basilica of S. Antonio, the Church of S. Maria delle Grazie, the XVIII century Church of S. Francesco, the Monastery of S. Paolo, which dates back to the IX century, and the Church of Santi Felice e Bacolo.

Typical buildings in Sorrento are the so-called "Sedili", where the institutions



and town representatives met. One of these, the Sedile Dominova, built in the XV century, is in Piazza Padre Reginaldo Giuliani, while the other one, the Sedile Porta, is in Via S. Cesareo. In the Villa Comunale, or park, there are two busts: the first represents the Sorrentine historian Bartolomeo Papasso, the other the magistrate Francesco Saverio Gargiulo. The park is endowed with a splendid Belvedere from which you can admire the whole panorama of the Bay of Naples, from Procida to the Vesuvius.

From here you can take the steps down to Marina Piccola, and from Piazza Gargiulo you can walk along to the fishermen's village of Marina Grande. If you want to go on a boat trip, you have a choice of two routes: if you sail west you will reach a place where you can visit the remains of the Roma villa of Pollio Felice; if you sail east you will reach the Grotta delle Sirene, where the sea takes on the most remarkable shades of colour.

The Basilica of S. Antonino - Duomo

In XV century Romanesque style. At the

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end of the central nave, the pulpit has elegant marble columns and panels with a bas-relief of the Baptism of Christ at the centre. To the left you will see the imposing bishop's throne.

The main entrance has been embellished with a tambour and scenes from the history of the church. A splendid organ, in the chancel above the tambour, was donated by Archbishop Giustiniani in 1897.

The upper part of the façade was destroyed in 1904 by a cyclone, but was later rebuilt.

The main façade presents a fresco with the Madonna Assunta flanked by two columns in pink marble, while the lateral lunettes of the doors show the apostles Philip and James the Younger.

During 1936 all the paintings of the vault and the XIX century altar were replaced with a carved choir in Caucasian walnut representing the Apostles, the four Sorrentine saints and St Anthony.

Finally, the sacristy, built in 1608, is decorated with a portal in white marble on which a statue of the Madonna and Child has been placed.

Because of the number of times it has been restored over the centuries, the Cloister is an architectural amalgamation of styles. It has a rectangular plan with columns and arches of tuff forming double lancet windows with lunettes. The eastern and western wings were first restored in the XV century. Round arches, which replace the XIII century pointed arches, are supported by octagonal pillars with capitals decorated with plant motifs.

The restoration was almost certainly financed by the noble Sorrentine Sersale family, as witnessed by the family coat of arms on all the capitals of the eastern wing.

In 1688, after a devastating earthquake, the Cloister was reinforced with thick brickwork, while the refectory still

has its XIII century structure.

At present the Cloister of S. Francesco is the atmospheric venue for musical concerts and art exhibitions.

The Museo Correale, created by the noble family of the same name, who had homes in Naples and Sorrento and had many cultural and social interests, has been open to the public since 1924. It houses a marvellous collection of works, which illustrious scholars and world-famous Italian and international personalities still come here to study.

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Route 1

THE 'VICOLI', OR ALLEYWAYS

Oddities, folklore, atmosphere

The land is very steep and in places it falls abruptly down to the sea, with sheer cliff faces and precipices. But here, between Positano and Vietri sul Mare, nature is almost completely unspoilt.

As in so many southern villages, people live their lives in the street. The small villages are usually built along narrow intersecting streets that are generally crowded with locals and tourists, but are always colourful and noisy.

In the past all the restrictions were created to allow the population, continuously attacked from the sea by pirates and Saracens, to find shelter or gain faster access to the protected parts of their towns (a tower, a house up on high...).

The close links with the East had a profound influence on the local architecture, with the construction of tightly

packed houses interconnected by a maze of alleyways and steps, with the sea vertically below.

A typical example of this type of urban architecture is Positano, a picturesque village of square houses with vaulted roofs, staggered at different levels on terraces clinging to the lower slopes of two mountains dropping down to the sea. Its 'vicoli', or alleyways are crammed with places offering refreshments, and one extremely tempting fashion boutique follows the next, making a shopping spree hard to resist.

Scala is a delightful combination of the beauties of hill and mountain; the typical stairways climb up to vast expanses of lemon groves and valleys with the appeal of unspoilt nature, with rare botanical species (such as Woodwardia radicans in the oriented nature reserve of the Valle delle Ferriere).

On the walks you can visit monuments, churches, towers, castles and unpick the cultural layers, such as portals, balconies, fountains, the system of canals for the irrigation of the lemon groves, which are the connective tissue of the area, living weft of history and thread that weaves together the essence of a land and its people.

From Scala you can go on delightful walks to Santa Caterina, Campidoglio, Minuto and Pontone, small boroughs that form the Municipality. Visitors to this ancient and noble area will love the abundance of art and culture, and hikers will admire the unusual landscapes. After walking through the alleyways of Praiano, famous for the seaside resort of Marina di Praia, surrounded by sheer cliff face, you reach the Sorrento Peninsula.

The first Municipality featuring an urban plan designed with small routes of communication is Vico Equense, on a rocky promontory with the sea a sheer drop below, which stretches from Scragio



to Punta Scutolo.

And it is in one of these narrow streets that you will find the “Pizza University”, where the famous “pizza al metro” was invented – no gourmet should miss it! It is one of the most famous products of Italian gastronomic tradition. It is certainly worth stopping to taste the variety and the excellence of the pizzas which are produced and sold by the metre, i.e. in lengths rather than in the classic round shape. This genial invention was copyrighted by Gigino Dell’Amura who, just as artists and men of genius have done, has used his imagination to leave an indelible mark in the history of regional culinary art.

Some of the roads of Vico date back to the Graeco-Roman period, as witnessed by the settlements established between Stabia, Pozzano, Vico, Meta and Piano. Meta, which often fell prey to the Saracens in the IX century (as did Piano di Sorrento), belonged to the Duchy of Sorrento. Don’t miss the Church of Santa Maria di Lauro, of great artistic and historic interest, as it was built on the remains of an ancient temple dedicated to Minerva. Turn into Via del Lauro and walk along until you reach the Chiesa degli Angeli Custodi. Carry on along Via Caracciolo, crossing fascinating streets and alleyways, you will come across Baroque villas and palazzi, including Villa Liguori, Palazzo Fienga, Villa Elisa, Palazzo Maresca, Villa

Giuseppina, Villa Valletta Martini.

Close to the Anghi quarter, the old town centre of Sant’Agnello, you will find the last remaining craftsman to produce reed blinds for garden pergolas. Among the narrow vicoli, houses are crammed side by side and you still find courtyards and rustic porticos, you will come across an ancient craft that now has very few followers: wax making, in the Sessa wax factory.

A short stroll from Piano takes you to Sorrento, birthplace of limoncello, a liqueur made from lemon rind, alcohol, water and sugar, a tipple that tickles and delights the taste buds of connoisseurs the world over.

But it is in Gragnano, town of macaroni, where life and the typical processes of pasta production have always been played out on the stage of the streets. For pasta has always needed to be laid out to dry in the open air, in the sun and the sea breezes. This is the capital of an exceptionally high quality pasta, produced since the XVII century and famous throughout Italy. Made with the highest quality durum wheat, local pasta is still “trafilata al bronzo”, i.e. made with the old-fashioned technique of slowly extruding it through bronze dies. This retains the flavour of the wheat and gives the pasta a coarse texture so that it will hold more sauce. It is fascinating to visit one of the old pasta makers to watch the whole process of production. And where else

would the famous Festa dei Maccheroni take place if not here? In September, Gragnano pasta makers celebrate fusilli, rigatoni, etc, offering them in an exciting variety of sauces.

There is also a Museum of Pasta in the pipeline, to be opened in the cloister of San Michele Arcangelo, in Via Santa Croce, which houses the tools and machinery for the production, from the fans to the bronze dies and to the different sized scales.

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Route 2

THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Mistletoe, cinnamon and logs...

Christmas is the magic moment for the entire Amalfi Coast. The natural landscape of the Amalfi Coast is already similar to a magical ‘presepe’, or Nativity scene, and is a unique environment for the poetic and spiritual re-enactment of the birth of the Saviour. Christmas crib-making is a popular tradition here, which involves the old and the young. Every church, street or village builds its own Nativity scene. A variety of techniques are used to build the cribs, from the simple traditional ones (papier-mâché, clay and ceramic, cork...) to the more sophisticated modern ones (moving shepherds, visual and stage effects...).

At Christmas an array of lights and colours illuminate the piazzas and ‘vicoli’ of Positano, transforming this enchanting seaside town. The beauty of its landscape, the range of its artistic productions and the warmth and hospitality of its citizens have always made it a sought-after international tourist destination, further enhanced by its gastro-

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conomic reputation, unrivalled in the area. In Positano the magic of this most eagerly awaited feast is everywhere to be felt: large and small cribs appear, as do Christmas trees shimmering with lights and decorations.

Of course there are Christmas markets, set up in Piazza dei Mulini, with vendors presenting an array of traditional products: imaginative decorations for the Christmas tree, gift ideas in wood, precious glass and ceramic objects, craft-made fabrics, traditional confectionery, and tasty gastronomic specialties. Another occasion not to be missed is Christmas Eve, with the procession to the crib set up in the historical natural grotto of Fornillo, and on New Year's Eve the Concerto di Capodanno on the beach.

Christmas celebrations in Amalfi are particularly rich and full of magic. From December 8th, the feast of the Immacolata Concezione they are drawn out until the Epiphany. During this period that straddles the old and the new year, every church, every lobby, every typical corner – even in the fountains – renews its devotion to the 'presepe' and its tradition. Some of the cribs still use precious XVII and XVIII century statues.

In particular – mainly, but not only, for sea-lovers – there is the moving underwater pilgrimage to the ceramic crib of the Grotta dello Smeraldo. The little piazzas and streets are all dressed up in their scintillating Christmas finery. The traditional music of the "zampogne" (Italian bagpipes), the scent of roasting chestnuts, cooked honey and cinnamon evoke the atmosphere of bygone times: during Advent the whole village seems to be shrouded in a magical dreamlike light.

Equally magical and dreamlike is the "Calata della Stella": a large comet made up of torches that, when midnight strikes on December 24th, passes above Piazza Duomo and comes to rest in the atrium of the Cathedral. The birth of

Christ is greeted with a triumphant pealing of bells and explosion of fireworks, while solemn high Mass is devoutly celebrated in the Cathedral.

Before midnight on December 31st, folk groups begin their parade, with light-hearted music, singing and dancing animating the main piazza, as people wait for the superb fireworks display that kicks off at midnight.

The following day the groups continue their performances in the piazzas – with satirical verses and ancient tarantellas to wish residents and tourists a happy new year. On January 6th, the feast of the Epiphany, in the morning there is a procession of "Pastorelli" (little shepherds) and in the evening the folk groups put on a performance. To end the evening and to bid farewell to the holiday season, there is another "Calata delle Stielle" while the Baby Jesus is taken back into the Cathedral.

Tradition has it that Atrani was the birthplace of the famous rabble rouser Masaniello, who during the XVII century led the popular Neapolitan revolt against their Spanish rulers, and it is possible to visit the house where the Neapolitan insurgent lived as a child.

In Atrani, Christmas Eve is celebrated in a really original way: everybody meets in the piazza, at dawn, to have breakfast with coffees and cappuccinos, but above all to exchange and eat the traditional cakes of the area (zeppole, roccò, mostaccioli, susamielli...).

Christmas and New Year also have a particular charm in Sorrento. Warm-coloured lighting and colourful decorations give the town an unusual look, and the atmosphere portends a charming festive period.

In fact, while Sorrento is showing off its Christmas look, frenetic activities are going on to put into action the myriad activities which will make every moment that visitors spend on the Sorrento

Penisola an unforgettable one.

A very rich calendar of events means that you are spoilt for choice. Every day there is at least one event on offer that deserves to be seen or experienced.

Obviously the highlights will take place on Christmas, New Year's Eve and, especially, New Year's Day, but there are occasions to make merry every day up to the Epiphany.

Don't miss visiting the many marvellous Nativity scenes nestling in every nook and cranny of Sorrento. Built according to the traditional Neapolitan art of crib-making, you will find them everywhere: in the main churches and in the Sedile Dominava, but also in the joyfully illuminated windows of the shopping centre.

In the picturesque town of Vico Equense – overlooking the Bay of Naples between Castellamare and Sorrento – the time-honoured itinerant Nativity pageant is enthusiastically enacted by a large number of citizens, all dressed in traditional costumes.

This night on hundred-year-old pageant is one of the most typical and fascinating Christmas events of the Sorrento Peninsula. It takes place on the day of the Epiphany, along the streets of this amiable coastal town. Every year the "Pacchianelle", girls dressed like old-fashioned peasants, keep their appointment with the town, while the itinerant "presepe" shows the devoutness with which these coastal dwellers experience the Mystery of the Nativity. Over 300 walk-ons in costumes inspired by those of the XVIII century Neapolitan 'Bethlehem' gather in the monastery of the Padri Minimi di San Vito.

From the hillside town of San Vito, the cortege proceeds along Via Raffaele Bosco, arriving around three in the afternoon in the town centre of Vico Equense where, as usual, it is eagerly awaited by a large crowd of locals and visitors. A characteristic of this historic

pageant is the presence of numerous girls and women in traditional peasant costumes, bearing gifts for the Divine Child. These gifts are the traditional products of the Amalfi Coast: citrus fruit, cheese, cakes, nuts, fish... Because of the pomp and magnificence of their attire and the elegance of their horses, the Three Maji are the most eagerly awaited and admired characters of the cortege. The Holy Family traditionally closes the procession, with the Baby Jesus surrounded by a crowd of barefoot fishermen.

The music is provided by a folk group of "zampognari" (bagpipe players) from their traditional regions of origin. Promoted by the Padri Minimi since 1909, this pageant is the most eagerly awaited by hundreds of children keen to fête the Baby Jesus along the roads of the town, and excited to be playing a role that has been passed down from one generation to the next among the devout families of Vico Equense.

An extremely original Nativity scene is the Presepe di Massa Lubrense (in the area of Marciano, about 6 km after Sorrento along the Nastro d'Oro road). Set in the hollow trunk of a 2000 year-old olive tree, it has been created every year since 2000 by the maestro Raffaele Lombardi. Since then it has received increasing commendation and won the first prize in the "Presepe della Campania 2003" competition run by of the See of Naples. Everyday scenes of life from the past and the present are represented by the figurines personally hand-carved by the maestro and animated with hydraulic and mechanical mechanisms.

Many enactments of the Nativity scene take place all over the region of Campania (worth mentioning is the one of Pimonte, set against the splendid backdrop of the "Valle della Lavatoio"), and they all have certain common features: they take place on Christmas Eve, after sunset, in medieval villages and along country lanes. The deeply spiritual atmosphere is complemented by the costumes and



music from Roman times. The reconstruction is very faithful, and the "presepi viventi" of Campania are widely and rightly renowned. Gragnano hosts a gigantic theatrical representation, a "presepio scenografico" of XVIII century Naples, which includes live animals and in which visitors can actually walk around.

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Route 3

SHOPPING TRAILS

Knick-knacks, glamour, and precious stones

Amalfi is an ideal place for shopping. From the seafront to the narrow streets leading to the Valle dei Mulini, there is an abundance of souvenir shops, small distilleries producing limoncello and other typical liqueurs, as well as thousands of objects made by local craftsmen, from the ceramics of Vietri to the unique coral jewellery. A jewel as an expression of passion. Gold, pearls, precious stones are shaped into extraordinary rainbows of colours, veritable works of art. Jewels in silver, corals and cameos, or precious embroidery on tablecloths, table mats and handkerchiefs. The centre of town also

houses interesting examples of the Neapolitan art of crib-making.

Nor should you overlook the typical craft of marquetry of the Sorrentine artisans, who patiently and skilfully decorate wooden objects with delicate inlays and colours. Their workshops, in the oldest part of Sorrento's city centre, are a heartening and valued presence. This often spreads into the streets, as the walls outside the workshops are lined with piles of small boxes pressed into clamps, put out in the open air for the glue to dry in the sun. This all gives character and colour to the area and makes walking through the narrow streets of the old town a delight.

You can of course also buy the myriad delicacies that this fantastic land produces: limoncello-scented confectionery, almond and orange cakes, orange pastries and crêpes, tarts; and also biscuits and jams, "casatiello sorrentino" with walnuts; locally made ice-cream made in the most exciting flavours, rosolio, fruit and vegetable preserves.

Positano, an ancient fishing village, came back into the limelight and economic splendour at the beginning of the XX century, because of its popularity with the Germans, British and Americans. In the clothes industry small shops and companies began to flourish, becoming so influential that the style they created became known as "Moda Positano", Positano dressmakers have

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created a recognisable style, comfortable and colourful, with sarongs and strappy tops. Initially the industry involved silk and jute cloth, and later on, pillow lace. It was only after WWII that Positano Style came into being, created by the inventiveness of its people, who had the idea of using simple fabrics to create clothes, bags and bathing costumes.

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- The posh jewellers, particularly renowned for the workmanship of gold and corals.

- Shops with rich flavours and aromas, where they sell hand-made pasta, typical of the Coast, (scialatelli, conchiglioni, stuffed gnocchi...), Mediterranean spices and aromatic herbs picked on the Monti Lattari, and "signorine" a particular type of loaf.

- Shops with rich scents, where they sell candles and soaps... For instance, in the old city centre of Sorrento, there is a shop where the art of crib-making reaches sublime heights thanks to the magic performed by Marcello Aversa, who creates enchanting Nativity scenes with miniature figurines on small terracotta monoblocs. And then there are local wines and rosoli (furore, gran ca-

ruso, limoneto, fragolino, mandarinetto, finocchietto...).

- The boutiques in Positano that line Viale Pasitea, Via dei Mulini, Via Colombo, and Via Marconi enliven with gaudy colours and luxurious fabrics the walls outside the shops, making this pearl of the Coast even more vibrant and colourful.

Food and Wine Trails

Route 1

THE TASTE TRAIL

Over the centuries, the cuisine of the provinces of Naples and Salerno has been much influenced by the succession of foreign populations that have invaded and ruled them, with a mixture of recipes of different origin. The gastronomic tradition can count on an extraordinary fund of local vegetables and fruit, dairy products and cold meat specialities, prime quality fish and sea food, and some fine wines.

Two of its dishes are popular all over the world: spaghetti with tomato sauce, and pizza.

The repertoire of dishes and flavours

that cross many centuries make up a clear gastronomic identity, which, together with all the techniques for processing and preserving foods, means that this tradition can truly be called an art

It is impossible to resist the delights of the table when you are tempted by such natural and superior flavours. So do take into account the following advice when giving in to the marvellous temptations of the culinary art of this region. While you are on the tracks of the pizza, this quintessentially Neapolitan dish, you will come across beautiful places and an endless variety of flavours. Pizza is a type of flat bread made from wheat flour mixed with yeast and water. A pizza can easily be a meal in itself - even if you eat nothing more you won't go hungry, and when you eat a pizza you know it's a healthy meal. The real pizza is a delight for your eyes, nose, taste buds and the rest of the body, because, if the ingredients are first class, you will be bound to enjoy it.

You set off from Tramonti, a village set in the middle of a luxuriant valley, with thirteen other small villages, which look like a swarm of houses around a pretty church, a memory of bygone times. From here roads roll out into landscapes of unrivalled beauty, and it is from here that you should set off on your journey into the history of this world-famous dish.

In Tramonti, in fact, most families had their own bread oven for making biscuit-like corn bread, and whenever they made bread, they had the habit of making pizza with the same dough.

Made with whole-wheat flour and seasoned with tomatoes from the "sponsilli", preserved under the porticos, with olive oil, a little bit of lard or dripping, garlic, oregano and anchovies, today the pizza in Tramonti is a precious dish to be added to the traditional range

and to eat in small dining rooms with a handful of tables, overlooking a breathtaking panorama which will complement the pleasure of the palate. Passing through the pass of Chiunzi and descending back down to the sea of the Bay of Naples you pass through the town of Gragnano, at the foot of the Monti Lattari, world-famous for the production of pasta, which began, according to scholars, in the second half of the XVI century. Macaroni were not the only product that the people of Gragnano made from flour, they also created "pizza a chilo": this is a totally unique product, but a product that fits in with the imagination that characterises the inhabitants of this whole region. Its dough is thicker and softer than the classic pizza and you can have it in different shapes: round with a wide diameter, or rectangular, with a length of between 30 and 100 cm.

Carrying on along the Statale 145 road, towards Sorrento, you come to the houses of Vico Equense, which is inextricably bound to the "pizza a metro", born from an idea of Giginò Dell'Amura, heir of a bakery that used to bake bread during the night and pizzas during the day. Ever longer pizzas, to satisfy everybody's appetite. In 1960, a successful Giginò gave his pizzeria the name of "da Giginò pizza a metro". Today his five children have added another name to it: "Università della Pizza".

The secret of the pizza's success is in the dough, which makes it delicately crunchy and more digestible. The water used has a low level of chlorine, which allows it to rise more naturally, as chlorine kills the flora in the baker's yeast. One of the specialities is the Pizza Italia Unita, whose ingredients recall the colours of the Italian flag: raw ham, mozzarella, parmesan flakes, basil and rocket.

There is nothing better than a glass of good red wine to complement a pizza and complete the meal. In this area there are some DOC wines and wine producers with a many years of experi-

ence.

In Tramonti the only vine-grower is Giuseppe Apicella who, with the old vines of Piediroso and Aglianico, has created a Reserve Red called "Vigna Scassata".

The wines produced are Lettere, Gragnano and Sorrento. These are "great little wines", all DOC since 1994. Although reds, they should be served cool from the cellar, to best appreciate their country aroma and let your palate enjoy the brio of their delicate froth.

From the beginning of the walk you will be able to enjoy the great richness of this area of your route. In fact, in Gragnano, wine trail branches out from the "Vinicola Gragnano" (in the Municipality of the same name) to the "Coticelli" winemakers (in the Aurano). You cross the hamlet of Castello/Borgo Medievale, and continue towards the Valle dei Mulini, which bears witness to the traditional "arte bianca" (creation of flour-based products) that characterised the development of the town. From here, driving along the state road towards Agerola, you reach the area of Rimonte, where, in Via Nazionale, you will be able to visit the "Vini Iovine" wine-makers.

The pasta-based dishes cater for every taste. Even now anyone with a little imagination and knowledge of the basics of cooking pasta well, can imagine recipes with different combinations.

One of the typical shapes of Gragnano pasta is the "calamarata", used in a dish that requires squid cut into rings (exactly the same shape as the pasta), simply pan-fried, with a few cherry tomatoes and a dash of extra-virgin olive oil.

Don't miss eating at a "trattoria" on the peninsula, where you should try "Gnocchi alla sorrentina", which are seasoned with a ragù sauce with the addition of Sorrento mozzarella, shaped like a braid called "fiordilatte". The gnocchi must be hand-made. The dough is made with potatoes and they

are served in individual clay ramekins, in which they are briefly baked in the oven so that the mozzarella can melt over the gnocchi. Before serving they are sprinkled with parmesan cheese. This makes an excellent lunch or supper dish and should be served with a red Sorrento DOC wine.

"Pasta e fagioli" (pasta with beans) is another typical dish of this heartland of Campania, but there is a variation on the traditional recipe that includes mussels, which give the pasta an unusual taste. "Pasta mischiata" (a mixture of different pasta shapes, used in peasant dishes to avoid waste) is the basis for other traditional dishes. In these long-established recipes the pasta is par-boiled and then poured into the saucepan with the sauce to finish cooking, together with some of the water it was cooking in, which will be absorbed by the time the pasta is cooked. In and around Amalfi and Positano you will be able to find this dish in "trattorie" and restaurants that have rediscovered old-fashioned flavours. It is served with white DOC wines, such as the Marisa Cuomo white, from a small wine producer of Furoro.

The dairy products of the area are still produced by artisans and there are various specialised food shops and producers where you can not only taste and buy the products, but also see them being produced.

Vico Equense is a real gastronomic paradise, where small "craftsmen of taste" produce great dairy products: burrini, small cheeses with a delicate creamed butter heart; caprignetti, little balls of creamed goats cheese; cacioricotta, ricotta-cheese, coated in aromatic herbs and preserved in oil... not forgetting the mozzarella braids with olive and other specialities of the Monti Lattari.

The most important of these products is the renowned Provolone del Monaco DOP, a mature "pasta filata" (stretched curd) cheese, shaped like a longish melon or a pear, without the typical rounded 'head'.

Trails FOOD AND WINE



Agerola (already famous at the time of Galeno, a famous healer, who believed that the milk produced here was therapeutic in the treatment of tuberculosis), is still famous today for its "pasta filata" cheeses, from the typical fiordilatte to caciocavallo. If you would like to know more, take a guided tour in one of the many local dairies to see the traditional and typical production methods.

Carrying on towards Salerno, before reaching Vietri sul Mare, you come to Cetara, a characteristic village in the small basin at the foot of Monte Falero, which was often the base for marauding Saracens along these coasts. Then, with the protection of the Benedictine monks of the Abbey of Cava, and thanks to its excellent anchorage for ships, it became an important trade centre.

Cetara is famous for the canning of tuna and sardines, thanks to a good offshore fishing fleet that provides excellent quality catch. The name Cetara comes from the Latin *cetaria*, tunny fishing nets, and from *cetari*, sellers of large fish. The picturesque village of the Amalfi Coast, part of UNESCO world

heritage, is an ideal place because of its gastronomic specialities, in particular the "colatura d'alicci" (anchovy dripping) which was much appreciated by the Romans, who used it, together with spices and aromas, to season meat and cooked vegetables. During the Graeco-Roman period it was made by salting the sardines and preserving them in barrels whose staves had become loose over time and therefore were no longer suitable for storing wine. The barrels, placed on *mbuosti* (two timbers fixed to the wall at fifty centimetres from the ground), allowed the remaining liquid to drip down, and after about four months the salt had matured the fish, and an intense and pleasant odour pervaded the storeroom.

Like the ancient *garum* this essence of sardines and related fish, which are still fished between March and July with traditional "lampara" fishing boats in the two bays of Campania, is a condiment used in pasta dishes, salads and vegetables, although the best way to really appreciate its characteristics is in the traditional "Linguine alla colatura di alici".

Food and Wine Trails

Route 2

THE CONFECTIONERY TRAIL

Sugar, love and imagination...

Discovering the art of confectionery, whose ingredients include traditions and legends, such as the one according to which the Sfogliatella Santa Rosa was invented in the Convent of Santa Rosa, at Capo di Conca dei Marini... Tasting the great and varied production of confectionery produced on the Coast, discovering new and original recipes... Visiting the many confectioner's shops in Vietri, Minori, Amalfi, Positano, Sorrento and Vico Equense... Discovering the ancient historic confectioner's shops that are still thriving: De Riso (Minori), Pansa (Amalfi), La Zagara (Positano); Gelateria Gabriele (Vico Equense)...

The maestri of the art of confectionery who live and work along the stretch of this "Siren Land" between Sorrento and Maiori, constantly invent new recipes with their creative intuition, supported by the appetising natural ingredients: here temptation is a fact of life, so be warned!

The flavour trail – Tasting the different products

In Piazza Duomo, the heart of Amalfi, the temple of the art of confectionery has only one name: Pansa. This ancient confectioner's, among the oldest existing shops (dating back five generations) and thus included on the prestigious 2001 roll of Italian historic establishments, is proud leader of those tempting

masters of the art of confectionery on the Amalfi Coast. So give in to the temptation, allow yourself to be seduced by citrus tartlets and genoise butter cake... Then head towards Positano, where Zagara's fruit tartlets rule the roost. Tasty wild strawberries decorate the cream cakes that the famous snack bar, next to Piazza dei Mulini, displays in its windows along the descent of the "Palazzo". Plenty of fruit also in the Mulino Verde, including the legendary lemon profiteroles.

Prince of delights, is, as ever, Salvatore De Riso. From his court in Minori he continues to excite taste buds across the world with his ricotta and pear cake; another of his favourites is a typical summer sweet, together with the "soufflé stregato": this is a new creation, using the liqueur Strega, from Benevento, for its custard laced with liqueur. "Delizia limone" is the newest in the long series of creations that form part of the confectionery tradition in the area of the Sorrento Peninsula.

To return to tradition, the pillar of confectionery history in Campania is the "pastiera", a classic Easter cake that requires complex preparation, a ritual in itself with strictly defined methods and timing: from the mixture, which has to be made on Maundy Thursday, to the baking, which used to be done in the local communal oven, to which, from early afternoon on, when the temperature of the oven had settled down, there would be a procession of people bringing their pastiere to be baked.

The pastiera used to be and still is something that is exchanged between families as a sort of well-wishing Easter gift. The brioche of the confectioner's "F.lli Baino", in S. Antonio Abate, satisfy the most demanding palate, as they have no animal fats, preservatives or colourings.

Their speciality is "pasticceria secca" (confectionery without soft fillings). Their elegant appearance, fine execution, inimitable flavour make them particularly suitable for every occasion: each one is different from the other;

they are decorated with candied fruit, granulated sugar, sugar-coated almonds, and chocolate chips.

A typical Neapolitan confection is called "struffoli" – it is a mound of small fried dough balls smothered in golden honey. Tradition has it that it dates as far back as the foundation of city of Partenope. It used to be prepared in convents and taken as gifts to the noble families of the city, as it was a ritual part of the great Christmas banquets and, according to some, also an aphrodisiac.

"Susamielli" are shaped like an 'S'. The mixture is the same as the one used for the much harder roccocò, but the difference in texture is due to the addition of honey. Finally, one festival that requires an adventurous palate and critical spirit is the festival of "melanzane al cioccolato"

(aubergines with chocolate) in S. Maria la Carità. It is an established appointment for those hot august days, when aubergines are at their sweetest: they are picked, cooked, and coated or stuffed with chocolate – a rare and deliciously delicacy!

Services and Accommodation

Along the way you will find a wide range of establishments offering refreshments: snack bars, pizzerias, pizzerias, pubs and restaurants offer a range of solutions catering to every visitor's tastes and requirements.

You will also find many comfortable hotels, B&Bs, guesthouses and residential hotels to stay in.



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BY CAR

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BY TRAIN/BUS

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info: Freephone 800 053 939,

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BY SEA

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CIRCUVESUVIANA

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info: Freephone 800 053 939,

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METRÒ DEL MARE

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